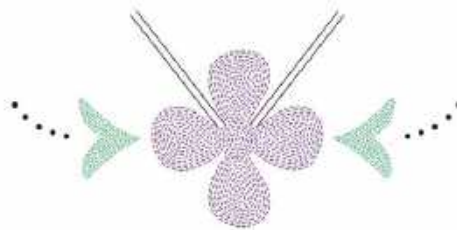


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1 Tseshaht First Nation /Port Alberni, British Columbia

2 --- Upon commencing on Wednesday, September 13, 2017

3 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** All right, so look
4 at the time, everyone. It's 10 minutes after 2:00. And
5 what's the date?

6 **UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:** The 13th.

7 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** You get the prize.
8 Okay, it's September 13th. Is your brother in the room?

9 **UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:** No, he's in Campbell
10 River.

11 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Okay. That's too
12 bad.

13 Yeah. Okay, and so we're about to start an
14 interview. And I'm meeting these wonderful people for the
15 first time. Very pleased about that.

16 So my name is Wendy van Tongeren, V-A-N, T-
17 O-N-G-E-R-E-N. And as I've indicated, I'm a lawyer with
18 the Inquiry. And I'm going to hand this over to my dear
19 colleague who will introduce herself and then we'll go to
20 this beautiful woman.

21 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** My name is Gertie
22 Pierre and I'm an elder worker for the Inquiry.

23 **MS. SIOUXSAN MARTIN:** My name is Siouxsan
24 Martin.

25 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** Siouxsan Michael?

1 **MS. SIOUXSAN MARTIN:** Siouxsan Martin.
2 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** Martin? Okay.
3 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** And spell your last
4 name if you don't mind.
5 **MS. MARTHA STEWART:** My name is Martha
6 Stewart.
7 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** She wants you to spell
8 your last name.
9 **MS. SIOUXSAN MARTIN:** M-A-R-T-I-N.
10 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** And what's yours?
11 **MS. MARTHA STEWART:** Martha Stewart.
12 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** Martha Stewart.
13 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Is it S-T-E-W-A-R-
14 T?
15 **MS. MARTHA STEWART:** Yeah.
16 **MS. CAROL FRANK:** And my name's Carol Frank.
17 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** F-R-A-N-K?
18 **MS. CAROL FRANK:** Yes.
19 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** My name's Cecelia Arnet,
20 A-R-N-E-T.
21 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** What's your first
22 name?
23 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Cecelia.
24 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** C-E-C-I-L-I-A?
25 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** C-E-C-E-L-I-A.

1 ELDER GERTIE PIERRE: Cecelia?

2 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Cecelia Arnet. I got
3 candy in my mouth.

4 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Oh, where's the
5 candy? Oh, the bathroom?

6 [ELDER GERTIE PIERRE]: Upstairs.

7 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: So what you do is
8 you go up the stairs. And then when you get to the
9 conference room turn right.

10 Did you say your name?

11 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Cecelia.

12 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Oh, you're Cecelia?

13 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Yeah, I'm Cecelia.

14 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay.

15 MS. CECELIA ARNET: M'hm.

16 MR. MOSES MARTIN: And I'm Moses Martin, M-
17 A-R-T-I-N.

18 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Moses?

19 MR. MOSES MARTIN: Yeah.

20 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay. And I didn't
21 hear your name, so it's just Siouxsan?

22 MS. SIOUXSAN MARTIN: Siouxsan.

23 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Oh, that's the name
24 of my sister.

25 ELDER GERTIE PIERRE: Oh, Susan.

1 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: My daughter.

2 MS. SIOUXSAN MARTIN: It's spelled like S-I-
3 O-U-X-S-A-N.

4 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: You've got to be
5 kidding. So can you do that again for me please?

6 MS. SIOUXSAN MARTIN: S-I-O-U-X-S-A-N.

7 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: This is Siouxsan.

8 ELDER GERTIE PIERRE: That's nice. It's
9 different.

10 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Do you mind if I
11 put it on here? You do mind?

12 MS. SIOUXSAN MARTIN: Go.

13 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Go ahead?

14 MS. SIOUXSAN MARTIN: Yes.

15 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay. S.

16 ELDER GERTIE PIERRE: And where did you get
17 your name?

18 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: I.

19 MS. SIOUXSAN MARTIN: No.

20 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: O.

21 MS. SIOUXSAN MARTIN: My -- well, I had a
22 friend in school. She was from North Dakota.

23 ELDER GERTIE PIERRE: M'hm.

24 MS. SIOUXSAN MARTIN: And my husband decided
25 that he wanted her to be Susan. And because of the

1 uniqueness of her name, the way it's written.

2 ELDER GERTIE PIERRE: Yeah. Is that always?

3 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: X-S-A-N?

4 MS. SIOUXSAN MARTIN: X.

5 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: X-S-A-N?

6 MS. SIOUXSAN MARTIN: X.

7 [MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN]: Nearly got it,
8 yes.

9 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: S-I-O-U?

10 MS. SIOUXSAN MARTIN: X.

11 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: X. Oh, X. I
12 spelled it wrong?

13 ELDER GERTIE PIERRE: Yeah.

14 [MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN]: Here you go.

15 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Oh, X. Even more
16 interesting. Talk about an X factor. Wow. Would you like
17 to draw anything on here? Anybody like to add something to
18 Siouxsan's -- is that the way you pronounce it actually,
19 Susan?

20 MS. SIOUXSAN MARTIN: It's Susan, yes.

21 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Susan?

22 Cecelia, would you like to add something?

23 [MS. CECELIA ARNET]: So just to be a
24 grandma.

25 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Yeah, exactly.

1 ELDER GERTIE PIERRE: Wow.

2 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: It's our job. Are
3 you a grandfather?

4 MR. MOSES MARTIN: Yes.

5 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay. Would you
6 like to add something?

7 MR. MOSES MARTIN: No.

8 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Well, I'll tell you
9 something. Siouxsan, do you mind if I ever have another
10 grandchild that I put that name in as an option? I don't
11 get a really huge vote but nevertheless I like it.

12 [MS. MARTHA STEWART] My daughter is
13 (inaudible).

14 ELDER GERTIE PIERRE: And you're Martha?

15 MS. MARTHA STEWART: Yeah.

16 [ELDER GERTIE PIERRE] I just love that name.
17 It's so unique. I've never ever heard a name like that.

18 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: And what's so
19 wonderful about it is that it's easy to say. It's just you
20 have to learn how to spell it.

21 [ELDER GERTIE PIERRE]: Yes.

22 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay. So I've
23 actually been a lawyer for almost 40 years. And I think
24 you all know that I'm not an Indigenous woman. I was -- I
25 think I was hired because I have got a lot of experience in

1 interviewing people and because I was a -- I worked in the
2 Crown's office as a Crown prosecutor and specialized in
3 prosecuting cases where people, particularly vulnerable
4 people, have been hurt by others. And it was my job and my
5 responsibility to try and help that person tell their
6 story. So I did that for, well, 33 years as a Crown
7 prosecutor.

8 So I think that's why I'm here, because I
9 know that the Terms of Reference talk about the Inquiry
10 being steered by Indigenous women. And it was because that
11 I had a specialty that was kind of unusual to have dealt so
12 much in this area involving violence against women and
13 girls -- and babies even -- and in homicide. So I have
14 kind of developed ears to listen and so -- and it's an
15 honour for me to have an opportunity to meet you all today.

16 **MR. MOSES MARTIN:** For us as well.

17 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Okay. So have you
18 designated a person who is going to tell the story or are
19 you all going to add or what did you decide to do?

20 Does this mean that Moses leaves or?

21 **[ELDER GERTIE PIERRE]:** Moses is a funny
22 man.

23 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Okay, and for me,
24 this is going now so the reason why it's being on a visual
25 as well is that everything that is being said here goes to

1 the Commissioners. So it's as if we have a Commissioner in
2 the room because they will be -- they will get a transcript
3 as well as look at the visual.

4 And the visual helps because there's so many
5 female voices, particularly here.

6 Moses, I think that the Commissioners will
7 recognize your voice on the audio but it may be they get
8 confused with the different women. So it would be helpful
9 when you speak if you say something like, "Siouxsan here,"
10 or you know, say your name before you speak.

11 [MS. MARTHA STEWART]: M'hm.

12 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: And so it's
13 Siouxsan, Martha, Carol, Cecelia, and Moses.

14 [MS. MARTHA STEWART]: M'hm.

15 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: And in terms of --
16 I gave you the segue -- the introduction to a very serious
17 issue for the Commissioners, which is the systemic violence
18 or the systemic conduct that is carrying on in -- it's not
19 only in Canada; it's throughout the world -- that is
20 resulting in many, many women finding the end of their life
21 or violence or -- and so you know, when you're trying to
22 prevent killing or violence against women, when you think
23 about it, if you think about okay well, let's try and
24 identify all the people who are doing it and try to do
25 something about it?

1 But that is so difficult. Like, we're
2 finding that throughout the world. It's so difficult to
3 stop the people who are the perpetrators. And so it
4 actually makes a lot of sense to start to examine the
5 vulnerability of the person who ended up being either
6 targeted or just being in the wrong place at the wrong time
7 or whatever it was and trying to create a community, like,
8 a society in a world where there -- these safety nets that
9 are developed really don't have any holes in them.

10 And so that's what this is about. So it's -
11 - I've seen it analyzed, like, in the areas where I have
12 done work. They call it like, City A and City B and we
13 say, "Okay, City A, when the child went to the police they
14 told her to come back the next day because the officer who
15 does that type of thing wasn't there. City B, the
16 officer's not there so they immediately bring in a
17 substitute who also specializes in that area." Okay?

18 It's time for going for court. City A, they
19 did not meet the prosecutor before the trial. City B, they
20 always -- they have a policy that they meet the prosecutor
21 five weeks before the trials so the witness is prepared for
22 court.

23 Okay, so we're trying to create a City B,
24 which makes a huge difference to the service that is
25 provided.

1 So that means that when you tell your story,
2 whether it be Moses -- or all of you might have something
3 to add and I hope you do feel confident to do that
4 including you, Siouxssan -- that it's -- you tell the story
5 and then you say, "And then we spoke to the police," or
6 "Then we only spoke to Victim Services or the hospital" or
7 whatever. So if you can include that in it, so -- and you
8 don't even have to form a judgement. I mean, you could
9 say, "We thought they did a good job because," or you could
10 say, "We thought that they weren't doing a good job."

11 But if you say that you also have to show --
12 give some indication of why that is because that's -- then
13 you're a part of reform, you know? You're a part of making
14 it better for your children and grandchildren of the
15 future.

16 And you can either intertwine that in the
17 story as you go or at the end we can have a discussion
18 about the vulnerabilities and see if we can identify them
19 together and that will help the Commissioners. Because
20 there are patterns, right, the patterns that develop across
21 the country where we've seen the same thing over and over
22 again. So we know that it's -- something has to be done
23 about it.

24 Are there any questions about that?

25 [MR. MOSES MARTIN]: No.

1 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Does it make sense
2 to you?

3 **[MS. MARTHA STEWART]:** Yeah.

4 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yeah, you think
5 about it even when you -- whatever you are running in your
6 house, whatever you are in charge of, whether it be
7 something on your reserve or in the government or even in
8 your family or -- that's exactly what the thinking is. You
9 look to what systemically is getting in the way of it
10 operating properly and we change it.

11 So Moses?

12 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** I was just wondering
13 if you wanted to have that picture stood up in front of the
14 people there?

15 **UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:** M'hm.

16 **UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:** Yeah, I'm trying to
17 get it ---

18 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** Yeah, you can come put
19 it over here.

20 **MR. MOSES MARTIN:** Okay, thank you. This is
21 mother.

22 **UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:** The mother
23 (inaudible).

24 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Oh, we saw that.

25 **UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:** My daughter passed

1 away three months ago.

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Your mother?

3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yeah.

4 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Oh, so there's two
5 of them?

6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: So we're representing
7 her.

8 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Oh, okay.

9 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: She's the mother of
10 Lisa Marie so ---

11 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Oh, okay.

12 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: It was the
13 grandparents of Lisa Marie. So we're speaking for my
14 daughter who just passed away. You want yours here too?

15 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes. You can have
16 this. I kept all them. Okay?

17 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Yeah. So this is
18 Lisa Marie?

19 [MS. CECELIA ARNET]: Yes.

20 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: What's her last
21 name?

22 [MS. CECELIA ARNET]: Young.

23 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: And this on her
24 left is?

25 [MS. CECELIA ARNET]: Marlene Joanne Martin

1 Young.

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: She was legally
3 Martin.

4 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: So that is Martin
5 and then something on the bottom?

6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Young.

7 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Oh, Young.

8 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Should be there. You
9 see it?

10 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Hi.

11 [MS.CARLA MOSS]: Hi.

12 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: I'm just
13 introducing everybody so are you able to tell us your name?

14 MS. CARLA MOSS: My name's Carla Moss.

15 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Carla Moss? Okay.

16 MS. CARLA MOSS: Yeah.

17 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Now, are you here
18 for the pizzas by any chance?

19 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: Any pizzas.

20 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Well, I interpret
21 to mean that if around Siouxsan we have to order two
22 pizzas. She gets one and the rest of us -- so it's obvious
23 you're not here for pizza but ---

24 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: Yeah.

25 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: And so I'd like to

1 -- if you wouldn't just mind just putting your ---

2 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: What's that?

3 [ELDER GERTIE PIERRE]: Lisa?

4 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: And your name is?

5 MS. CARLA MOSS: Carla Moss.

6 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M-O-S-S?

7 MS. CARLA MOSS: Yes.

8 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay, great. Thank
9 you, Carla. And do you know everybody here?

10 MS. CARLA MOSS: Yes.

11 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay.

12 MS. CARLA MOSS: (Inaudible) I'll stay.

13 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay, so my name is
14 Wendy van Tongeren. I work as a lawyer with the National
15 Inquiry.

16 MS. CARLA MOSS: Okay.

17 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: So it's my job to
18 help people tell their story or tell their narrative about
19 their experience.

20 MS. CARLA MOSS: Thank you for the work you
21 do.

22 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay.

23 ELDER GERTIE PIERRE: And my name is Gertie
24 Pierre and I'm an elder in the Inquiry and I help the
25 family.

1 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Where are you from?

2 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** Sechelt.

3 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Okay. Not far from
4 here.

5 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** No.

6 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** So I kind of feel
7 like I'm in front of the -- one of those talent judge
8 things. I'll tell you guys, I do know how to juggle a
9 little bit. But what are your talents?

10 **[ELDER GERTIE PIERRE]:** I feel like I'm ~~in~~
11 ~~in~~ [with] family.

12 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** My juggling wasn't
13 so hot.

14 **MR. MOSES MARTIN:** I guess, Wendy, my
15 concern that I have is with many many grandchildren that I
16 have, how do we make this a safe place for young people
17 like my granddaughters and the many others that I have?
18 How do we move forward from the residential school days
19 where we weren't taught anything except to pray?

20 I have -- I had grandchildren of my own and
21 not one of them can speak their language. Why? Because
22 somebody tried to beat it out of me when I went to school.

23 So I guess there's a way of protecting my
24 family that I never thought I can speak their language
25 fluently. And I had no interest in teaching any of my

1 grandchildren.

2 So that's one of the things that I see need
3 to be done, is for us to begin teaching our grandchildren
4 again our very beautiful valuable language that we had that
5 said so many things with some few words, things that we
6 forgot.

7 One of the things that we forgot is we
8 forgot how to be parents. We forgot how to teach our kids
9 about different things of life; we forgot how to teach our
10 kids about the principles of life. One of those very
11 important principles is that one we have that we say
12 (Speaking in Tla-o-qui-aht / Nuu-chah-nulth language), two
13 different things. One says that we are all connected and
14 the other one says that we are all one.

15 That's kind of where I'd like to start from
16 is where, you know, the case of *Delgamuukw* in 1998 that when
17 that was over *Delgamuukw* said, "So we're all here to stay."

18 And that's something that we need to not
19 only hear but really understand what that's saying. We
20 were all abused, eh? That means people like other -- come
21 from other races, they're here to stay. We're all here to
22 stay. We're not going anywhere so why -- how is that we
23 learn how to live together and work together and play
24 together?

25 Whatever it is that we have to do to make

1 this a better community for our children, a safer community
2 for our children. Because right now we have no respect for
3 each other. I know that. I see it. I hear it. And those
4 things hurt.

5 I wanted to talk a little bit about
6 recommendations that we made when we were a part of this
7 gathering up in Prince George and they were asking for
8 things from the people that attended.

9 And what we recommended was at least the
10 information that was for all missing and murdered
11 Indigenous women. The information that's out there should
12 be centralized somewhere, easier somewhere in a central
13 place where we as family have easier access to that
14 information.

15 Because right now we know nothing. Today we
16 know nothing about what happened or what's going on with
17 our granddaughter's file. Never have had anything. Spent
18 15, 16 years and we have none.

19 And the other recommendation that we made
20 was that RCMP members -- my son is a member of the RCMP.
21 And when he took his training in Saskatchewan, his six
22 months, he wasn't told about how to treat First Nations
23 people.

24 People don't understand this. People don't
25 know what we are. They think we're just a pile of garbage

1 and pieces of crap or something.

2 And no, that we're all human, so how do we
3 learn how to respect and live with one another?

4 We teach our language. There's so many
5 things in it that we need to understand.

6 My mother used to say, (Speaking in Tla-o-
7 qui-aht / Nuu-chah-nulth language). And what she was
8 saying was quite simple. "You cannot demand respect; you
9 have to earn it." So simple and yet such a difficult way
10 to live and understand each other.

11 My father said that (Speaking in Tla-o-qui-
12 aht / Nuu-chah-nulth language).

13 Again, a very powerful, simple message, that
14 respect is the very first law of our people. And if you
15 always live by that there isn't much that you're going to
16 do wrong.

17 They also understood that we're just human
18 beings and we're going to make mistakes, understood that
19 you learn from your mistakes. You learn from your mistakes
20 so you don't keep repeating them in your lives.

21 All those little simple things but we need
22 to understand each other. We as First Nations have many
23 things that we can contribute. I'll leave it at that for
24 now.

25 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** This is really

1 powerful words that you've shared from your -- is it your
2 grandfather -- your grandmother?

3 **MR. MOSES MARTIN:** Grandfather, yeah.

4 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** Yeah.

5 **MR. MOSES MARTIN:** And Mom and Dad.

6 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** M'hm. I think that
7 was kind of awesome for you to share the words because
8 that's exactly what we need to go back to in our culture.

9 **MR. MOSES MARTIN:** It's a big part of our
10 lives.

11 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** It is. M'hm. Thank
12 you for sharing that.

13 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** And that is a
14 beautiful language. I had the benefit of a translation.
15 It was a beautiful language.

16 **ELDER GERTIE PIERR:** What is your language?

17 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** You probably enjoy
18 speaking it, do you?

19 **MR. MOSES MARTIN:** Yeah. No, it's -- I've
20 forgotten a lot of the things to as well. Many things that
21 I grew up with as a kid, a little kid, and not speak in any
22 other language when I go to residential school and for
23 three years being beaten because I'm speaking this. And on
24 account of that, and knowing English and ---

25 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** M'hm.

1 **MR. MOSES MARTIN:** And spent six hours a day
2 on our knees in church.

3 **[MS. CECELIA ARNET]:** Yeah.

4 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** So what is the --
5 is your relationship here with everybody?

6 **MR. MOSES MARTIN:** She is my [, an ex wife
7 of mine] (inaudible). And Carol's my daughter and Martha's
8 my daughter-in-law, Siouxsan's my granddaughter. And Carla
9 is my wife.

10 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** So who is the
11 spokesperson who's going to speak about Lisa or sorry, what
12 was the other woman's name again?

13 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** Marlene Joanne.

14 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Marlene.

15 **UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:** Joanne.

16 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Marlene Joanne
17 Martin Young.

18 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** Who is to speak about
19 what happened to Lisa?

20 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** M'hm. And it does
21 -- before they do that, as I think I indicated, if you can
22 speak about people who aren't here to spell their last
23 names and if you can remember dates, that would be helpful.

24 And if anybody needed to draw something up
25 there, if you try to kind of remember dates or things then

1 I can give you some paper to draw on and anything that we
2 can to help you so that we -- because the Commissioners
3 won't have heard this story so although there is the
4 possibility that we could order some records it might not -
5 - it may -- might not -- we don't know how timely that
6 would be. Like, it might take months to get records, but
7 nevertheless, eventually it could come together.

8 So I'm not relying on the fact that we'll
9 get records so as much information that you can give as
10 possible.

11 [MS. CAROL FRANK]: M'hm. Okay.

12 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Yes, she went out. I
13 was in Nanaimo at that time with my late husband. So Lisa
14 in her apartment ~~(inaudible)~~ [next door to] her mom. She
15 was (inaudible) that we came to visit. It was a long
16 weekend.

17 She was (inaudible) since she was getting
18 another job she was excited about. She told us, "I'm
19 moving to a better apartment" and excited about her new job
20 the following Tuesday.

21 Saw her Friday night and she went out again
22 Saturday. In the afternoon, back to my daughter's place.
23 Lisa come in. She was always bubbly; she was always happy.
24 And she was ordering pizza at her mom's.

25 And Joanne says, "Well, are you packed now?"

1 You got to move on Sunday, all your stuff that you
2 (inaudible) still?"

3 "Oh, yeah, we got pretty well everything."

4 I give her a kiss goodbye.

5 So the next day she went out Saturday night
6 with friends. It was her friend's birthday, one of her
7 friends. And she went to (inaudible). And then it was ---

8 **MS. CAROL FRANK:** Just tell you a little bit
9 about Lisa. She was ---

10 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Okay.

11 **MS. CAROL FRANK:** She came up. She was
12 brought up by a loving family so she wasn't -- she didn't
13 have no (inaudible).

14 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Okay. So that's
15 Carol speaking and that's Cecelia.

16 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Her mom and dad were
17 very -- they were a close-knit family. She's got two
18 brothers, Robin and Brian. She was a happy young lady.
19 You know, she was wanting to go back to school to become a
20 -- what was it she -- sports writer.

21 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Oh, really?

22 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Yeah, she was planning
23 to do that.

24 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** That's terrific. I
25 was worried that Moses was blocking it out. He's still

1 here but he's not (inaudible).

2 [MS. CECELIA ARNET]: M'hm.

3 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: So you're both in
4 there.

5 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Are we? We're talking
6 to the same camera ---

7 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: No, I was just
8 checking here.

9 MS. CECELIA ARNET: --- blocking him.

10 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: No, I was just
11 checking. I can see an image of what has been picked up.
12 I was told that one of my jobs is to make sure that
13 everyone can be seen, so that's -- okay, so sorry, I just
14 did that. But continue on from where you were. So she was
15 a happy young lady.

16 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Very happy and she's got
17 loving parents. And her whole family loved her. I was
18 there all the time visiting the family all the time. I
19 knew her since she was a baby so I knew her quite a while.

20 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Where did everyone
21 live that time? Like, where were you living?

22 MS. CECELIA ARNET: She came in Ahousaht on
23 an island, yeah.

24 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: How do you spell
25 that?

1 MS. CECELIA ARNET: A-H-O-U-S-A-T.

2 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Ahousaht?

3 And you were telling me about Lisa Marie?

4 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Yes.

5 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: And where did Lisa
6 Marie live?

7 MS. CECELIA ARNET: In Nanaimo.

8 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay, and her mom
9 lived in Nanaimo as well?

10 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Yes. They were ---

11 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: And not far away
12 from each other?

13 MS. CECELIA ARNET: They lived next door to
14 each other in ---

15 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Yeah.

16 MS. CECELIA ARNET: --- the same apartment
17 building.

18 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay.

19 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Yeah. And she was
20 always working, Lisa.

21 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: And what
22 relationship were these people to you, Lisa and Cecelia?
23 I'm sorry, Marlene and -- yeah, Lisa and Marlene. What
24 relationship were they to you?

25 MS. CECELIA ARNET: She was my daughter.

1 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** This was your
2 daughter?

3 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** This one, Marlene
4 Joanne. She called -- she liked to be called Joanne.

5 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Okay.

6 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** And it's Martin.

7 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yeah, if you just
8 make a quick -- I have that. So there's Moses and Cecelia?

9 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** M'hm.

10 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** And then who were
11 your children?

12 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Joanne was ours and
13 Carol. Do you want all their names?

14 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yeah, how many are
15 there?

16 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Okay. And there's my
17 son Dennis, Brian.

18 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Brian?

19 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Yes. Richard. And we
20 had other children and ---

21 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Okay. And so where
22 was Marlene in here? And where's Marlene? There's Joanne,
23 Carol, Dennis, Brian, Richard. Didn't you say that Marlene
24 ---

25 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** She passed away.

1 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay.

2 MS. CECELIA ARNET: She did (inaudible).

3 MR. MOSES MARTIN: Yeah, she's ---

4 MS. CECELIA ARNET: She -- that was our
5 child.

6 MR. MOSES MARTIN: Yeah.

7 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: She's the second
8 youngest.

9 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: So where -- like,
10 was she born -- because she was born and I know she passed
11 away but when was she born?

12 MR. MOSES MARTIN: November ---

13 [MS. CAROL FRANK]: Nineteen sixty-two
14 (1962).

15 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Huh?

16 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Nineteen sixty-two
17 (1962).

18 ~~MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN~~ [MS. CAROL FRANK]:
19 Nineteen sixty-two (1962). Okay, and so your -- Joanne,
20 Carol, Dennis, Brian, and Richard are her siblings?

21 MS. CECELIA ARNET: No.

22 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay, but ---

23 [MS. CAROL FRANK]: Her name's Marlene but
24 she liked to go by Joanne.

25 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Oh.

1 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** So that was her
2 (inaudible).

3 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** I was on the moon
4 and you were on planet.

5 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** And did (inaudible)?

6 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yeah, I did. Sorry
7 about that.

8 **[MS. CECELIA ARNET]:** That's okay.

9 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Okay, so -- yeah,
10 so that's the key factors. We've got Joanne here with us
11 and we've got Carol here with us? Okay.

12 **[MS. CECELIA ARNET]:** Carol.

13 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** You mean Joanne and
14 Marlene are the same person, right? Yeah. I got it
15 written here. Now I do. At first I was just looking for
16 Marlene.

17 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** Oh, okay.

18 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Marlene wasn't
19 there so I have to ask these questions but it shows my true
20 frailties.

21 **[MS. CECELIA ARNET]:** M'hm.

22 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** So thank you for
23 your patience. Okay, so back to this -- to what happened.
24 So Lisa is planning on moving to a better apartment?

25 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** M'hm.

1 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** She's got her stuff
2 packed up.

3 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Yeah.

4 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** And her mom is
5 saying, you know -- do you not want ---

6 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Well, apparently she
7 decided to go out after we left their apartment.

8 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yeah.

9 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Because it was one of
10 her friends' birthday party. But her dad said, "You
11 shouldn't go out, Lisa, because you have to move tomorrow
12 and did you get all your stuff in the car?"

13 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yeah.

14 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** But she went out
15 anyways. And she always carried her cell phone with her
16 all the time ---

17 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** M'hm.

18 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** --- to make sure if she
19 got stuck she would phone her parents or her parents would
20 arrange a cab for her if she was really stuck somewhere.
21 But she never did call much that night or the morning.
22 It's not like her not to phone, right? ~~She (inaudible)~~ [So
23 they got] worried.

24 And my daughter phoned me. She didn't chat.
25 She says, "Oh, Mom, you better come. Lisa didn't make it

1 home and I'm getting worried."

2 So I did go to my daughter's place and we
3 did call the cops but they said, "Oh well. Maybe she's
4 just having fun and she's just young."

5 And we said, "No. She never phoned. That's
6 why we gave her the cell phone, so she can phone if she's
7 stuck."

8 It took a while for them to come back to
9 talk to us again because I was there with my daughter, to
10 be serious, like.

11 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** M'hm.

12 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** It's not like our Lisa
13 to do that. She was responsible, you know.

14 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Did you say when
15 this happened, what year it was that ---

16 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Two thousand two (2002).

17 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** June 30th, 2002.

18 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** And so June 30th,
19 was that the day that you're describing when she went to
20 this party?

21 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** Yeah, it was the night.
22 It was the night.

23 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Okay.

24 When was it that you went to the police?
25 Was it that night?

1 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** We phoned the next
2 morning. Later on that afternoon when I was at my
3 daughter's ---

4 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** So that would be --
5 -

6 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** --- they came up.

7 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** --- July 1st?

8 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Because it was a July
9 occasion next day, yeah, that they came up.

10 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Which was the
11 Sunday?

12 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** They -- two cops came up
13 and ---

14 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** And when did they -
15 --

16 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** --- they just said,
17 "Well, young girls were having a party."

18 And we said, "No, she has plans to move
19 today, her stuff. Her dad said."

20 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** M'hm.

21 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** So just the way
22 (inaudible). And like, my daughter was scared to tell them
23 she was half-breed, eh, that she was part Native. She
24 didn't want to tell them because I asked her what -- that
25 her (inaudible) tell them anything.

1 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm.

2 MS. CECELIA ARNET: My daughter was afraid
3 of them being prejudiced.

4 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm.

5 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Yeah, so we didn't tell
6 them right away that she was part Native.

7 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Was that Carol or
8 which daughter was afraid to tell?

9 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Joanne.

10 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Oh.

11 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Joanne didn't want to
12 tell. Carol wasn't there at the time.

13 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay.

14 MS. CECELIA ARNET: M'hm.

15 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: And you said the
16 police eventually came back. Do you remember when that
17 was?

18 MS. CECELIA ARNET: So they finally came and
19 then they told my daughter to phone again in a few days
20 when -- was it Friday or something?

21 [MS. CECELIA ARNET]: Yeah, come back on
22 Friday and he said he was off.

23 MS. CECELIA ARNET: He's off -- both off
24 work for a few days. Yes, he said to call him again.

25 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm. Okay, so

1 this information, was it mostly coming from Marlene or
2 Joanne?

3 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Her name's Marlene
4 Joanne.

5 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** But you found out
6 what was going on with the police because she would ---

7 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** I was right there.

8 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Oh, you were right
9 there?

10 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** I was right there
11 listening to it all.

12 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Okay.

13 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** I was with my daughter.

14 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** So the police
15 actually came to her house?

16 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Oh, yes. Yeah, it was a
17 policewoman and another cop.

18 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Okay, continue.
19 What's the next thing?

20 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** So anyways, we were
21 waiting and then we didn't know what to do because ~~they~~
22 ~~(inaudible)~~ [nothing like that happened before in my entire
23 family] ~~my jewellery box~~. They forced us -- the police
24 ~~(inaudible)~~ [to hang things into different] (inaudible) to
25 these places in town. So we did that. There was a

1 different ~~(inaudible)~~ [poster then].

2 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm. Did she call
3 herself Lisa Marie or just Lisa?

4 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Just Lisa.

5 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay, and when was
6 Lisa born?

7 ~~MS. CECELIA ARNET~~ [MS. CAROL FRANK]: Oh,
8 May 5th, 1981.

9 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Nineteen eighty-one
10 (1981). And this goes from 2002 is the -- so she was 21 at
11 that time?

12 MS. CECELIA ARNET: When. ~~(inaudible)~~
13 [Nanaimo] hospital (inaudible) think May 5th, 1980.

14 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay, so she was a
15 very young ~~mem~~ [woman]?

16 MS. CECELIA ARNET: ~~(Inaudible)~~ [21] years
17 old. Twenty-one (21) was missing.

18 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm.

19 [MS. CAROL FRANK]: Her parents always told
20 her Lisa then that if she was going out with friends to
21 make sure she didn't go out alone and just to be careful.
22 And we spoke to her because she was a young girl.

23 She said, "Yeah, Dad. I will."

24 But that night she just -- she let her guard
25 down because they went to a nightclub with her friends and

1 they decided to go to a house party with friends after the
2 nightclub closed.

3 So they met this guy that had a car. He
4 offered to give them a ride to the party and that's where
5 they went to the party in the Harewood area.

6 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** In which area?

7 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** Harewood area.

8 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Harewood?

9 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** In Nanaimo.

10 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** How do you spell
11 that?

12 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** H-A-R-E-W-O-O-D.

13 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Okay, thank you.

14 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** And it was the friends
15 that told my sister that were at the party with her that
16 Lisa got hungry so this same guy in this car -- he had a
17 Jaguar -- he offered to give Lisa a ride to get something
18 to eat. It was probably like, 2:00, 3:00 in the morning by
19 then.

20 So she left with him and it was Lisa that
21 phoned her friend on the phone and she said, "Make this
22 stop because this guy's not letting me out of the car."

23 That was the last call that went -- that she
24 made from her phone, was to her friend.

25 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** What was the

1 friend's name?

2 [MS. CECELIA ARNET]: I can't remember.

3 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay. It's okay.

4 Okay, and what happened next?

5 [MS. CAROL FRANK]: So then the police
6 investigated that after and they found -- well, I mean, it
7 took them a while to find out who the driver of the car
8 was.

9 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm.

10 [MS. CAROL FRANK]: And I think they brought
11 it -- the car in to go over it but there was no evidence in
12 the car. And they spoke to the guy and he said that he had
13 dropped her off and that she took a taxi. But there was no
14 records of her taking a cab at all in that area.

15 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Anyways, that's what she
16 said. This Jaguar that the young man was driving that
17 night belonged to his grandma. She was at (inaudible) Road
18 in Qualicum. She lent it to her grandson. His name is
19 [Suspect].

20 It took them a week to finally take the car
21 in to dust it off to -- for fingerprints.

22 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm.

23 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Apparently they knew
24 (inaudible) just like it was cleaned right off. No
25 fingerprints. Not even his.

1 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** And you think that
2 young man's name is [Suspect]?

3 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** [Suspect].

4 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** And I know it was
5 something like [name] or something?

6 **[MS. CECELIA ARNET]:** [Suspect].

7 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** [Suspect]? Oh.

8 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Anyways ---

9 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** That's okay.

10 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** --- they took a while.
11 I stayed with my daughter all the time. I don't know how
12 long after that. Do you remember?

13 Anyways, it's maybe three weeks after and
14 there was (inaudible). They released his name was what,
15 three weeks after my granddaughter went missing. And we
16 was in the -- me and my daughter went to the court case.
17 It was just that young man and he denied everything.

18 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** The guy in the
19 Jaguar car?

20 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Yes. Well, Joanne had
21 to go see a person in -- was questioning suspects.

22 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** M'hm.

23 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** She had to go in there
24 with pictures of Lisa to show that guy the story about
25 Lisa, to break him down. But that guy wouldn't look at

1 Joanne, and she said. "This was Lisa when she was a baby,"
2 and just different stories.

3 All he said was, "I'm sorry. I can't say
4 anything."

5 He would have been in jail overnight, a
6 couple of days. And they had the court case. Joanne and I
7 went to that. And they let him go because there was
8 nothing of evidence.

9 But he's still a suspect today.

10 My daughter has talked to that cop, she
11 (inaudible) this cop, George something; he was in that
12 case.

13 **MR. MOSES MARTIN:** Yeah, I don't know
14 nothing.

15 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** All he said was the case
16 is still open. That didn't help us any. But just before
17 Christmas last year he said it's still open but nothing
18 new.

19 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** So Lisa has been
20 found?

21 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Pardon?

22 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Was Lisa ever
23 found?

24 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Pardon?

25 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Was Lisa ---

1 MR. MOSES MARTIN: No.

2 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: --- found? Was she
3 found?

4 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Oh, no.

5 MR. MOSES MARTIN: No, she's never ---

6 MS. CECELIA ARNET: She's never -- they said
7 the case is still open. She's never been found. Her
8 father (inaudible).

9 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm.

10 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Lots of -- oh, phone
11 calls, eh?

12 MR. MOSES MARTIN: M'hm.

13 MS. CECELIA ARNET: But we've had a lot of -
14 - saying, "Oh, yeah. We saw Lisa here and there." All we
15 know was she (inaudible), things like that.

16 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm.

17 MS. CECELIA ARNET: And no trace (inaudible)
18 that calls.

19 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: M'hm. For the longest
20 time as a family we'd follow up every lead.

21 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Yeah.

22 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: And that became really
23 hard because some -- I don't know, some ill people thought
24 at this -- it's just they're telling terrible things. And
25 it became really hard for everybody to hear these terrible

1 things and then they'd follow the lead and there'd be
2 nothing there. And we'd hear another story and that was
3 really re-traumatizing over and over again. So the police
4 would investigate some of these things we reported.

5 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Yeah.

6 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: We couldn't really rely
7 on the police, like ---

8 MS. CECELIA ARNET: No.

9 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: --- because like she said
10 they would tell us nothing.

11 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Yeah.

12 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: Or that they -- they
13 didn't even do a search until September. We -- ~~(inaudible)~~
14 [as a family] were searching almost ~~(inaudible)~~ [right
15 away].

16 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: Ironically, Carol's
17 daughter went missing for a day a few months after, eh?

18 [MS. CECELIA ARNET]: M'hm.

19 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: And we had to get on the
20 phone and threaten the police. Like, Moses at that point
21 met one of the head of the RCMP and we had to call them.
22 Like, you had to like, yell at them and repeatedly call and
23 harass them. It was like, why would you do this for?
24 Because she had been missing between Nanaimo and Tofino.
25 So say, "Get -- could you please help us look before dark

1 because she's had a crash. She could still be alive."

2 And they just didn't even want to talk to
3 us. Fortunately, all that had happened, she ran out of gas
4 and we had a good family discussion after that about phone
5 calls. Well, you know, we couldn't -- just couldn't get
6 down.

7 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yeah, (inaudible).

8 **[MS. CARLA MOSS]:** Remember that time?

9 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Did you get your
10 voice heard?

11 **[MS. CARLA MOSS]:** Yeah, made (inaudible).

12 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** What's your
13 daughter's name?

14 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** Barbara.

15 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** That's (inaudible).

16 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** That was in ---

17 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** That was in 2002,
18 right?

19 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** Yeah, she's around the
20 same age as Lisa. Yeah. She was born in '83.

21 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** Yes, so she would have
22 been 23.

23 **[MS. CECELIA ARNET]:** I don't know.

24 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** She's a bit younger
25 than -- is she younger than Lisa?

1 [MS. CAROL FRANK]: Oh, yeah. Yeah.

2 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: So how did she get
3 in a very sticky wicket that she didn't have enough gas on
4 the highway somewhere? Is that ---

5 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: She was in Port Alberni
6 and ran out of gas.

7 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Yeah.

8 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: And she -- her parents
9 were in Burnett's.

10 [MS. CAROL FRANK]: Were in Burnett's Lake.

11 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: Burnett's Lake, so she
12 didn't think anyone would notice her not being there. But
13 we all knew and of course, you know, very sensitive at that
14 time, extremely. We were driving the highways. And we had
15 to start yelling at the police for help, like.

16 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: So just tell me how
17 Barb got out of the sticky wicket and then I'll ask you
18 more about the police and yelling at them. But how did she
19 -- who helped her in the end with her being out of gas?

20 [MS. CAROL FRANK]: She ended up -- I think
21 she had left her purse or something and she didn't have
22 enough gas so she went back to Port Alberni and went to go
23 see her auntie, her Auntie Anne. So that's where she
24 ended up because she -- I don't think it was that she
25 didn't have enough money for gas but she had forgotten her

1 purse. And that time we all didn't have, like, cell phones
2 to call each other.

3 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yeah.

4 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** And we thought, well.

5 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Okay.

6 **[MS. CECELIA ARNET]:** M'hm.

7 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Okay, so let's go
8 back to the police. So here's a family who has been in
9 this situation where their -- one of their loved ones has
10 been missing for -- how many months would that have been?
11 Was this in -- did you say it was in September when ---

12 **MR. MOSES MARTIN:** June.

13 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** --- Barbara went
14 missing?

15 **MR. MOSES MARTIN:** About two and a half
16 months or so.

17 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** And so two and a
18 half months. And so it's -- their hearts are raw. And so
19 you're phoning -- the first time it was the Nanaimo police,
20 right, that were ---

21 **UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:** Yeah.

22 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** --- searching for
23 Lisa. And what police were called when you were searching
24 for Barbara?

25 **UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:** It was the

1 (inaudible).

2 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: I think actually it was
3 just a 9-1-1 call and it happened because we were
4 ~~(inaudible)~~ [travelling between] Tofino ~~(inaudible)~~ [,
5 Qualicum, we were on the island highway searching too. He
6 was crying].

7 MR. MOSES MARTIN: (Inaudible).

8 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: And we were on the
9 highway for a while searching too. And he was crying. He
10 probably didn't want me to tell you that. He was really
11 scared.

12 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm.

13 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: And I just -- I don't
14 remember that point and which cop it was that -- or which
15 city. We were calling just 9-1-1 and then finally -- this
16 was a few years ago.

17 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: And actually when
18 you make those calls you don't always know who you're
19 getting anyway, do you? So did you refer to the fact that
20 Lisa was missing when you were trying to convince them to
21 do something?

22 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: I know I did at the end
23 when I was getting really angry and saying, "Look, how long
24 does it take you to help us? We've already got one
25 granddaughter missing. Are you really going to deny us

1 help --- "

2 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Yeah.

3 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: "--- when there's a
4 chance that she could be alive?" This is what the most
5 likely -- the likely scenario that we just -- that she went
6 off the road and the car fell down an embankment. That
7 happens all the time between, you know, the highway turnoff
8 at Tofino. And that's what we were doing. We were just
9 searching the highways for a car in the ditch.

10 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm. Well, thank
11 goodness she was okay.

12 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: She doesn't leave us un-
13 communicated with anymore. She lets us know where she is
14 now.

15 [MS. CECELIA ARNET]: M'hm.

16 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Raising kids, eh?

17 [MS. CECELIA ARNET]: M'hm.

18 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: So there was a
19 period of time from July 2002 until when Marlene Joanne
20 passed. And when was that that Marlene Joanne died?

21 [MS. CAROL FRANK]: June 21st of 2017.

22 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: How did she die?

23 [MS. CAROL FRANK]: She was quite sick. She
24 got so that she went downhill after (inaudible). She was
25 (inaudible) after losing Lisa Marie passed away, her

1 daughter.

2 ~~MS. CECELIA ARNET~~ [MS. CAROL FRANK]: No,
3 when she went missing. And her kidneys shut down. She was
4 on dialysis all these years. And she wasn't getting any
5 better.

6 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay. So the
7 kidney disease started before the death of Lisa?

8 MS. CECELIA ARNET: After Lisa passed away.

9 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: After.

10 MS. CECELIA ARNET: And right after Lisa
11 went missing.

12 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Yeah.

13 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Yes.

14 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay. So the --
15 was there enough information that the family has included
16 that the fact that Lisa was missing contributed to Marlene
17 Joanne's death? Is that what the family has concluded?

18 MR. MOSES MARTIN: That was my comment today
19 is that I believe that she died of a broken heart and ---

20 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Yes, she did.

21 MR. MOSES MARTIN: Yeah, and then that drove
22 her to alcohol.

23 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Yeah.

24 MR. MOSES MARTIN: And then not taking care
25 of herself.

1 MS. CECELIA ARNET: M'hm.

2 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Did she have other
3 offspring?

4 MR. MOSES MARTIN: Two, just Brian and then
5 Robin.

6 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: And Robin, was that
7 a male or female?

8 MR. MOSES MARTIN: Pardon?

9 MS. CECELIA ARNET: He's a man.

10 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: A man, okay.

11 MS. CECELIA ARNET: He was the youngest boy.

12 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay, and they're
13 still alive today?

14 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Yes.

15 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay. So you had
16 the situation where Marlene is not well and she
17 deteriorated to the point where she died after about 15
18 years, right?

19 MR. MOSES MARTIN: M'hm.

20 MS. CECELIA ARNET: M'hm.

21 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: What kind of help
22 did she get from her community? By that I could mean that
23 ---

24 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Well, she just really
25 (inaudible) she was, (inaudible) [didn't really get any

1 help from] anybody in there. She ~~(inaudible)~~ [had her
2 kidney] ~~keeping~~ doctors but they ~~(inaudible)~~ [no help].
3 They just (inaudible) a social worker, I guess, eh?

4 [MS. CAROL FRANK]: The thing my sister was
5 upset about that she brought up was there was a counsellor
6 that she seen and the counsellor wanted them to do this
7 religious stuff.

8 And my sister said, "I'm not religious and I
9 don't want to do this."

10 And then the woman said that there was a lot
11 of marriages don't last after they lose their child. And
12 that got my sister really upset that this counsellor was
13 saying this to her. This was when my niece first went
14 missing when they directed her to these -- I can't remember
15 what kind of counsellor it was.

16 [MS. MARTHA STEWART]: I think she was
17 (inaudible). She was talking to like, a priest or
18 something for a little while too. But she -- because she
19 didn't really believe in the Christianity part of it. She
20 just didn't get comfort from going to the church to talk to
21 anybody.

22 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Yeah.

23 [MS. CAROL FRANK]: (Inaudible) those
24 papers. The guy was talking about that, a tribute for the
25 ~~(inaudible)~~ [the reporter].

1 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** These documents
2 that you brought, are you leaving those with us or do you
3 want us to take copies or are you just -- you brought them
4 to assist you? What would you like to see done with those?

5 **[MS. CARLA MOSS]:** We left you copies.

6 ~~**MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN**~~ **[MS. CARLA MOSS]:**
7 Would they be useful to the Inquiry?

8 **[MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN]:** Yeah.

9 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** Or was it Victim
10 Services where they sent my sister?

11 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Oh, okay.

12 And it was the Victim Services that she
13 thought that their information and advice wasn't helpful to
14 her?

15 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** Yeah, yeah. I guess
16 they were wrong because her husband was -- they were kind
17 of helping each other ---

18 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yeah.

19 **[MS. CECELIA ARNET]:** --- focus on their
20 daughter's missing.

21 **[MS. CARLA MOSS]:** Is there (inaudible)
22 copies of the papers in that file?

23 **[ELDER GERTIE PIERRE]:** I can go and ask
24 them to do that. And then you want me to do that?

25 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** That's the -- I

1 think we kind of discovered that that's the best thing in
2 life, that -- to try and get it done when everybody is
3 here.

4 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Everyone is here.

5 [MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN]: Is Carol there?
6 In Hawaii?

7 [MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN]: In the Arctic?

8 [MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN]: So did she leave
9 an envelope for Wendy?

10 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Why don't we deal
11 with it now because it looks like -- who put that together,
12 by the way, because that's the historian of the family who
13 put that together? Is it Cecelia?

14 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: That was Carol.

15 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Carol?

16 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Peggy did
17 (inaudible).

18 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Peggy (inaudible) was
19 (inaudible).

20 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Yeah.

21 [MS. CECELIA ARNET]: And the newspaper had
22 kept it all.

23 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Oh, you did?

24 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay, I know.
25 That's like your job to draw the heart, right? I know it's

1 like I'm the one who puts it on (inaudible).

2 **[MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN]:** (Inaudible) for
3 every day and like, he just comes and he says, "Mom, you
4 remember back in 1997? Why was it that Bobo our dog died?"

5 **[MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN]:** Okay, I'll look
6 it up.

7 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** I'll go upstairs and
8 ask them to (inaudible).

9 **[MS. CARLA MOSS]:** Do you want to look at
10 the pictures of the family too?

11 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yeah, sure.

12 **[MS. CARLA MOSS]:** Well (inaudible) send
13 pictures as well because it's -- Lisa was a normal young
14 girl growing up in the community.

15 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yeah.

16 **[MS. CARLA MOSS]:** Like, when I showed the
17 family, like, (inaudible).

18 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** If we had pictures
19 -- I don't know how we're going to do that. There's a lot
20 of pictures there.

21 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Here she is with her
22 brothers.

23 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Oh, because we
24 could just write on the back and tell who the people are.
25 And it would be really helpful if you could (inaudible).

1 [ELDER GERTIE PIERRE]: So you (inaudible)?

2 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Yeah.

3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Okay.

4 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: I don't know if
5 there's someone who's free because I don't know
6 (inaudible).

7 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Inaudible). You
8 know, there (inaudible).

9 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay, but if there
10 was (inaudible).

11 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Oh, it's kind of
12 (inaudible).

13 [ELDER GERTIE PIERRE]: (Inaudible), yeah.

14 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: How big are you
15 guys (inaudible)?

16 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: There's a picture of
17 the family with Joanne and (inaudible).

18 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Are you staying for
19 the evening tonight?

20 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yeah.

21 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay, so we've got
22 a little time as long as you both (inaudible).

23 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: And a different one.

24 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: We have a little
25 time (inaudible).

1 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: No.

2 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: We didn't want to
3 act like it's urgent because the family is going to be here
4 until later.

5 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Inaudible) this
6 (inaudible).

7 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: (Inaudible) mind
8 and see if he would go.

9 [ELDER GERTIE PIERRE]: (Inaudible) coming
10 here.

11 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: Basically, you know,
12 like, the man who killed Lisa also killed Jo.

13 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Oh, really. Oh,
14 you mean ---

15 [ELDER GERTIE PIERRE]: Getting rid of her
16 children.

17 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Indirectly, yeah.

18 [ELDER GERTIE PIERRE]: Yeah, indirectly.
19 Like, when he killed Lisa it killed her.

20 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Yeah.

21 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: It killed her mother.

22 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Oh.

23 MS. CECELIA ARNET: She just gave up after.
24 Even though we were on there to support her and she just
25 gave up.

1 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** So I just need to -
2 - not that I -- you know, I'm not trying to overdo my
3 importance in this room but I need a little time out to
4 send a message to someone to see if I could ~~(inaudible)~~
5 [find] someone. So maybe you could just talk among
6 yourselves.

7 **(Short Pause)**

8 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Sorry, who chose
9 the name Marlene?

10 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** I did.

11 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** And was there a
12 relative or something with that name?

13 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** She was a -- I went to
14 school with her and her name was Marlene. I told her, "If
15 I have a girl I'm going to name her Marlene." She passed
16 away really young.

17 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Oh.

18 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Yeah. So she never got
19 to see my daughter. Remember Marlene Morris?

20 **MR. MOSES MARTIN:** Maclean.

21 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Maclean. Morris
22 Macleans's ---

23 **MR. MOSES MARTIN:** Aunt.

24 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** She was my best
25 girlfriend at school.

1 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Oh, okay.

2 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Yeah. So as I said,
3 "I'll name her Marlene."

4 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Yeah.

5 MS. CECELIA ARNET: But Marlene didn't like
6 that name.

7 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Well, you know,
8 once you got those two feet on the ground you can do
9 whatever you want with your name.

10 [MS. CECELIA ARNET]: The girls.

11 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: My daughter changed
12 the spelling of her name.

13 [MS. CECELIA ARNET]: Did she?

14 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Yeah, and she liked
15 it better without an H.

16 [MS. CECELIA ARNET]: Oh, really?

17 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Yeah.

18 [MS. CECELIA ARNET]: Oh.

19 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: So who knows why?
20 It's not like ---

21 [MS. CECELIA ARNET]: (Inaudible) I would
22 say.

23 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: You're right, I
24 think. To change your name they even have a statute
25 allowing you to do it.

1 Okay, so you've got this situation where
2 Lisa, a beautiful young 21-year-old who was excited about
3 life and is told by her parents -- and I don't know if I
4 ever got the name of her dad.

5 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Don.

6 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Don?

7 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** Yeah.

8 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Don Young. His
9 (inaudible) because Donald, Donald Young.

10 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yeah. So and I
11 don't have it clear. Were Donald and Marlene Joanne
12 together as a couple?

13 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Oh, yeah.

14 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Okay.

15 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** M'hm.

16 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yes, because he was
17 going to move her on Sunday and ---

18 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Yeah.

19 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** --- that's the
20 reason, moving around and all that. Okay.

21 Okay, so we've got this beautiful young girl
22 who -- woman -- who is moving into a better apartment and
23 she goes out partying and she's got the cell phone. She
24 does actually call for help, right?

25 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** I think she was

1 (inaudible).

2 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: She called her
3 friend. And ---

4 MS. CECELIA ARNET: And at least Joanne and
5 Don got her cell phone back from the cops.

6 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Who did, Joanne?

7 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Yeah, Joanne and Don.

8 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay.

9 MS. CECELIA ARNET: And just there was a
10 recording saying she needed help. And they all were pissed
11 off because this ~~car~~ [guy] wouldn't let her out. Well, it
12 was [one of those cars that, you can't get to the driver's
13 side, except for the driver] ~~a car search. They came over~~
14 ~~(inaudible)~~.

15 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm.

16 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Except when they're
17 driving. And we listened to that recording.

18 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: So who recorded?

19 MS. CECELIA ARNET: (Inaudible).

20 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: So are you saying
21 that Lisa recorded that?

22 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Well, like, ~~her phone is~~
23 ~~(inaudible)~~ [a voicemail]. I guess she was talking to
24 somebody and a ~~(inaudible)~~ [voicemail] came up saying [you
25 know, we can hear Lisa's voice saying 'I'm] ~~she was~~

1 ~~(inaudible)~~ pissed off'. These guys won't let her out
2 because ~~(inaudible)~~ [her friend] she was phoning. They
3 didn't answer it so she left a message, I guess or
4 something like that, whatever, I don't know how this
5 worked.

6 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yeah, because ---

7 **MS. ARNEET:** I just know that she heard her
8 talking.

9 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Okay.

10 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Yeah.

11 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** So but that's an
12 interesting question, why you'd have her phone because ---

13 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** We got it back from the
14 police.

15 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Got it back from
16 the police?

17 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** They found it I don't
18 know where.

19 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yeah, okay.

20 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** They never told us.
21 They never -- because my daughter had it for quite a while.
22 I don't know what she did with it now. Yeah.

23 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** And did you say
24 that there were other belongings as well?

25 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** No.

1 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: That was it, just
2 the cell phone?

3 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Yeah.

4 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Just the cell
5 phone.

6 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Somehow, I don't know
7 where they found it.

8 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Yeah, because when
9 you think about it ---

10 MS. CECELIA ARNET: So we knew they weren't
11 really listening to anybody.

12 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm.

13 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Just ~~(inaudible)~~ [found
14 it].

15 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Yeah, and ---

16 MS. CECELIA ARNET: (Inaudible) you know.

17 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: There are other
18 witnesses presumably at the party who knew this guy in the
19 jag, right?

20 MS. CECELIA ARNET: No, they actually didn't
21 know him. They just met him that night.

22 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay.

23 MS. CECELIA ARNET: They needed a ride to
24 that party ~~(inaudible)~~ [he was the only sober one] in that
25 Jaguar. So her friends -- one of her friends said, "We

1 didn't even know him. We just asked him to bring us to the
2 party." And the guy stayed at the party, I guess. They
3 didn't know him at all. He was from Qualicum. We found
4 out after he was arrested.

5 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Okay, so and you
6 said that you actually went to some of the court
7 proceedings?

8 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** I did ---

9 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yeah.

10 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** --- to be with my
11 daughter.

12 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** And that took place
13 in?

14 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** In Nanaimo.

15 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** In Nanaimo. And so
16 you actually ---

17 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** I saw the guy.

18 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** He was in the same
19 room as you, sitting in the box?

20 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Yeah, he was in the
21 courtroom.

22 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yeah.

23 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** I was looking right at
24 him. He wouldn't look at me at all.

25 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** And did you hear

1 him speak?

2 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Oh, yes.

3 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** And what was going
4 on when he was allowed to speak?

5 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** He was saying he didn't
6 do it, he said.

7 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Oh.

8 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** "I drove them that night
9 to the party," he said.

10 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** And did he move
11 from one part of the courtroom to another part of the
12 courtroom to say what he had to say?

13 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** He moved behind the --
14 he had a glass.

15 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Okay.

16 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Yeah. It was glass.
17 You could see. He could see us. Yeah.

18 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** So I'm just going
19 to put this in terms that I understand. Do you think he
20 was still in a prisoner's box when he was -- you know, did
21 he -- was he moved -- did he move to the witness stand?

22 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** No, he was like, behind
23 the -- talking (inaudible) there.

24 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** And do you remember
25 what kind of procedure it was? Was it something to do with

1 whether or not he'd still be in jail or was it a trial?

2 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Well, he was charged
3 with something else. He had just went to court.

4 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** M'hm.

5 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** But it happened that
6 there's -- they were talking about Lisa's being missing.

7 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Oh, okay.

8 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** That he was there.

9 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yeah, okay.

10 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Yeah. And because she
11 spoke to -- my daughter spoke to that guy the day before --
12 well, or a few days before maybe. She spoke to him face to
13 face in that room. Yeah, there's a room I guess they call
14 that (inaudible). It's where they take suspects into a
15 room.

16 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** But the police were
17 present, weren't they?

18 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Yeah.

19 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yeah, so it was
20 part of a suspect interview.

21 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Interview, yeah.

22 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** And they thought it
23 would be helpful to bring in ---

24 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Yeah.

25 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** --- Marlene.

1 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** And Joanne and faced him
2 and showed pictures of Lisa when she was a baby, trying to
3 break him down.

4 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** And ---

5 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** That's what the cops
6 were trying to do.

7 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** And you heard that
8 from Marlene? You weren't there?

9 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Yeah. I wasn't in
10 there.

11 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** No.

12 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** No, just -- she -- they
13 just wanted her there.

14 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yeah, wanted her.

15 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** She told me she showed
16 the pictures. I think she was showing this guy and telling
17 stories about Lisa, what she used to do when she was a
18 little girl and a baby. But it never worked on him.

19 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** M'hm.

20 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** And (inaudible) my
21 daughter brought that man, that young man. And he just
22 sort of went like that. "I'm sorry," he said. That was
23 all he said.

24 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Where did you say
25 he was from?

1 MS. CECELIA ARNET: He lives in Qualicum.

2 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: In Qualicum.

3 MS. CECELIA ARNET: But he's moved to live
4 somewhere else.

5 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: And his name was
6 something like [Suspect] (phonetic) or something?

7 MS. CECELIA ARNET: [Suspect].

8 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: [Suspect]?

9 MS. CECELIA ARNET: [Suspect], yeah.

10 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: [Spells name]?

11 MS. CECELIA ARNET: [Spells name].

12 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: What is it?

13 MS. CECELIA ARNET: [Spells name].

14 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Oh, [Suspect].

15 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Yeah, [Suspect].

16 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: [Suspect]. We got
17 it.

18 MS. CECELIA ARNET: (Inaudible) yeah.

19 MR. MOSES MARTIN: Yeah, (inaudible).

20 MS. CECELIA ARNET: It's like ~~(inaudible)~~
21 [Siouxsan] [I] speak ~~now~~ [of]. I was spending my time with
22 my daughters and I was there last Christmas. She was
23 (inaudible), you know. But Christmas Eve or day -- I think
24 Christmas Eve when she got a call from Australia, the radio
25 station.

1 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm.

2 MS. CECELIA ARNET: We saw it online
3 probably it was on TV the next day.

4 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm.

5 MS. CECELIA ARNET: (Inaudible) she said,
6 "Jo, I'll (inaudible) with the reporters." They were
7 showing her talking and they got a call from that [Suspect]
8 fellow.

9 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: From [Suspect]?

10 MS. CECELIA ARNET: I guess because they
11 were talking about the story about Lisa Marie and that
12 [Suspect] guy was trying to sue that radio station for
13 using his name. But they talked to Joanne and Joanne said,
14 "No, it's been all over the news (inaudible) Australia
15 radio station." They talked to my daughter. And he's
16 still alive but he's still a suspect today.

17 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm.

18 MS. CECELIA ARNET: They're trying to break
19 him, trying to find something to make him break, I guess.

20 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm.

21 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Yeah.

22 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: So sometimes it
23 isn't the right time and for reasons that are difficult for
24 us to understand.

25 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Yeah. Never said

1 (inaudible) he was sorry. And that's why I just came to my
2 daughter's just (inaudible), you know, that my daughter
3 phoned me.

4 "Mom, can you come over." The psychic was
5 coming Friday night. So I went and this lady showed up.

6 She said, "Lisa's been coming to me over the
7 last year or two in my house."

8 She didn't know my daughter at all or Lisa.
9 But she heard from her sister that ~~(inaudible)~~ [the girl
10 who's missing] her dad is a Purolator (inaudible) so that
11 psychic had a vision.

12 So she came to my daughter's house and she
13 said, "I was really nervous to come here but Lisa keeps
14 coming to me saying, 'Go see my mom.' She said that and
15 she said, 'You have to go see Mom. Tell her I'm okay.
16 Tell her to stop crying ~~(inaudible)~~ [I'm with family] right
17 now. I'm happy. I want her to laugh and smile like she
18 used to,'" she said.

19 I was kind of scared to come that day
20 (inaudible). And Joanne was scared to see the psychic
21 because she saw so many, you know, different psychics,
22 different stories.

23 And she said there's three suspects that
24 ~~(inaudible)~~ [murdered my ---]. She can feel them. She
25 said two of them are still alive. One killed himself. And

1 the other one's ready to commit suicide, she said. There's
2 another guy very (inaudible) that he's killed. So he's
3 just (inaudible). Yeah.

4 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Yeah, that must be
5 a challenge for families to decide whether or not they're
6 going to go the psychic route. There's probably elders
7 that help with that stuff, are there? Are there elders?
8 Do you know of any elders who -- I was just thinking of one
9 interview I had, someone was suggesting that there are
10 elders that you can go to help get the answers of where
11 these people are.

12 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Shamans, I think they
13 said. Some -- yeah. They don't have a whole lot of
14 elders.

15 MR. MOSES MARTIN: (Inaudible) where
16 (inaudible) is.

17 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: They what?

18 MS. CECELIA ARNET: They don't have a whole
19 lot of them today. No, not today. Yeah, yeah. They used
20 to have them.

21 ELDER GERTIE PIERRE: M'hm.

22 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Is that what's they're
23 called, shaman?

24 ELDER GERTIE PIERRE: Shamans, yeah. Not
25 very many people do that today, that they're willing to do

1 it to become really strong in ---

2 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** M'hm.

3 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** --- their work as a
4 shaman.

5 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** M'hm.

6 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** Yeah, you sacrifice a
7 lot.

8 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** M'hm.

9 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** M'hm. Yeah.

10 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** Because it was
11 (inaudible) with my daughters. I refused to (inaudible)
12 because (inaudible) let (inaudible) is that she has her mom
13 with her. And Joanne wanted me because she was scared to
14 hear the story again.

15 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** M'hm.

16 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** So I was there to
17 support her and the other lady supported her daughter to
18 tell a story to Joanne.

19 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** M'hm.

20 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** She said -- she would
21 ask things (inaudible) spirit or you know? "When did they
22 come to you?" he was saying to that lady.

23 She said, "It's funny," she said, "when I'm
24 in the shower ~~(inaudible)~~ [they talk to me]." She doesn't
25 see them but they talk to her.

1 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm.

2 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Lisa was there quite a
3 bit. She said, "You better go see Mom tonight ~~(inaudible)~~
4 [in the morning, Friday morning]." She -- and she said,
5 "That sounds like our Lisa." She was very efficient when
6 she wanted something done.

7 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm.

8 MS. CECELIA ARNET: So we believed that,
9 that she's gone, you know?

10 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Did she -- this
11 woman charge money?

12 MS. CECELIA ARNET: She didn't. No, she
13 didn't. In fact, she was a neighbour to my daughter and
14 that's too far away from ~~(inaudible)~~ [where] my daughter
15 lives.

16 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm.

17 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Yeah. No, she didn't.

18 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: No.

19 MS. CECELIA ARNET: No. She said no.

20 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay, so the --
21 we've all heard it now. Like, everyone in the room has
22 heard kind of an accounting of -- or recounting of the
23 steps that led up to what appears to be a death but we
24 don't really know. It's -- she's missing right now.

25 And so when you think about the

1 Commissioners' job to look at a situation like this and
2 identify what it was, if anything, that was contributing to
3 the vulnerability of Lisa so that it ultimately resulted in
4 her being missing, so what do you think? What do you think
5 would be ---

6 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** She said too -- she
7 said, "I can feel her remains are close by here," she said.
8 But she didn't know what area but it was close to our, like
9 daughter that -- she said it's her but (inaudible) were
10 (inaudible) really say it was belongs to some other --
11 belongs to some company or someone's got this property now.

12 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Oh, I see.

13 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** They said we can't look
14 and we have to have permission, who it belongs to or
15 apparently it belonged to the bikers at the time a few
16 years ago.

17 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** M'hm.

18 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** But I don't know if they
19 sold it or -- yeah.

20 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Okay, so let's talk
21 about some things that we know that -- about Lisa. And I
22 expect that all of you are kind of feeling something about
23 -- and maybe even a bit nervous to say or don't want to say
24 or it's just private.

25 But if there is something that you think

1 could be said that would help the Lisas of tomorrow and
2 what could be -- Moses, you started off with
3 recommendations for example, and the point of the
4 recommendations is, as you very eloquently stated, it's for
5 our daughters and granddaughters of the future.

6 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** M'hm.

7 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** So what -- and
8 again, another important thing that was integral to what
9 you were talking about is appreciating that we can learn
10 from these things that feel like tragedies. They feel
11 like, you know, our feet are stuck in concrete.

12 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** M'hm.

13 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Sometimes we can't
14 breathe with the emotion and -- but actually there is a
15 teaching in there that we can bring to our children and our
16 grandchildren.

17 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** M'hm.

18 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** So the amazing
19 thing about the Inquiry is that this is *en masse*, you know
20 what I mean? It's *en masse*, that hundreds if not thousands
21 of people are talking about what has happened to these
22 women and girls in their lives. And the Commissioners are
23 given the task, like, to give -- you can just sort of see
24 how heavy and how light that is; heavy in the sense of the
25 burden and light in that it is lighting the darkness.

1 **MS. CECELIA ARNET:** M'hm.

2 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** That's their
3 responsibility. But it's your responsibility to look into
4 yourselves, into ~~the violence~~ [your lives and] ~~in~~ the
5 relationships that we have to speak to the Commissioners
6 about some ideas.

7 And sometimes it's obvious. It's right in
8 front of you. But sometimes you have to actually look
9 deeply into the -- not only the years and the months but
10 even the minutes and the seconds of the lives that you have
11 together and the clues that you have about how to keep the
12 girls and women of the future safe.

13 So one thing I'll recommends two pizzas for
14 Siouxsan.

15 So do you want to -- does anyone want to add
16 to that, to look to that, like, to what would have made a
17 difference for ---

18 **[MS. CARLA MOSS]:** Cecelia is thinking that
19 Lisa probably had a few that I could talk about. We heard
20 Moses talk a bit at the beginning about the language.

21 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yeah.

22 **[MS. CARLA MOSS]:** And we're like, one
23 minute to midnight in terms of language loss in our
24 community. Moses and Cecelia are the last generation and I
25 know Moses is 76 but I don't know how old Cecelia is. I

1 think she's around that age, maybe a bit younger.

2 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: You're 39, I think.

3 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: Yeah, they're 39. But
4 like, I don't -- any other elders who still speak, I would
5 love to see none of them ever work again doing anything but
6 language because it connects a community.

7 And even when we pray it's like, you know, I
8 was in the cleanse today and I was understanding the
9 prayer. And it was just so cool, like, I know your
10 praying. We're working really hard but we also have to
11 make a living to pay for our home and stuff. So we can
12 only put so much time in right now.

13 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Right.

14 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: And Moses is teaching our
15 boys to fish and there's just only so many hours in a day.
16 So language is urgent.

17 And I think we did look into our family,
18 especially with Barb. We talked a lot about communication
19 after what happened with Barb and just how kids see -- you
20 know, saw that control and we say, "Could you just tell us
21 where you are? It's about we just want to know you're
22 safe."

23 And do you know what? James and Gary are 20
24 and 23, still messages from the market and say, "Leaving
25 the market. Be home in an hour. "

1 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm.

2 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Yeah. (Inaudible)

3 Siouxsan.

4 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: Another non-Native side
5 that you heard Moses make a recommendation about courses
6 for the RCMP. I don't know how we deal with racism within
7 the RCMP and in the paramedic community but I think we have
8 to.

9 I can -- I don't even want to say in front
10 of you guys some of the stuff I've heard, to be honest. I
11 don't want them to know what I know because it will hurt.

12 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Do you work in an
13 area related to this?

14 [MS. CARLA MOSS: Yeah, and I'm getting
15 nervous. So I don't want to put my job in jeopardy.

16 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Yeah.

17 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: Like, if I did say it to
18 you confidentially but I think one thing I can say -- this
19 is just going to the Commissioners; but will it go to my
20 employer?

21 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: No.

22 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: At all?

23 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: No.

24 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: So there's some people --
25 and I want to really emphasize "some" because it's

1 definitely not all because there's some really wonderful
2 people out there. I'm a medic and so ~~(inaudible)~~ [I'm in
3 the medic] service -- who they use bad racist words when
4 they're tending people and I have watched it the other day.

5 We were -- they were assuming the person was
6 drunk and yes, they had been drinking, but they were
7 obviously unstable and obviously needed to go to the
8 hospital. I was fighting with the medic, the other -- my
9 partner saying, "You can't just walk away."

10 And then I had to talk with my boss. So and
11 that's not -- we're trained not to do. We had (inaudible).

12 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** M'hm.

13 **[MS. CARLA MOSS]:** And there's words they
14 use for people who were either on the streets or struggling
15 with substance abuse that it reinforces patterns of
16 behaviour and attitudes that aren't okay and put people at
17 risk.

18 And then there's some people -- so that's
19 that world. That's medic, police world. Then there's just
20 human worlds. Siouxsan, I'm going to tell. Okay, this is
21 hard.

22 There's some White boys who are shithheads.
23 Those White boys are shithheads, period, you know what I
24 mean? But there are some White boys who will ~~(inaudible)~~
25 [value (inaudible) women lower than white women]. And

1 they're a nobody, you know, just stay away from them.

2 But we know they exist and we know that we
3 have to be careful to be safe and maybe more careful than a
4 non-Native girl in the same situation. And it's not fair
5 and it's not right but that's just what I've seen.

6 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** So this relates to
7 recommendations around cultural competency and doing what
8 can be done in the education system or the media or
9 whatever in terms of a messaging around not only -- it's
10 not a situation of tolerating as we live together. It's a
11 situation of compassion and love is where we begin.

12 **MR. MOSES MARTIN:** M'hm.

13 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** That's kind of
14 where we're heading. That's where we need to be. And how
15 do you move a generation forward like that? And this is
16 something that the Commissioners (inaudible) now.

17 **[MS. CARLA MOSS]:** Education culture and
18 also enforcement, that if people are -- if we're catching
19 people professionally, acting in those ways, they should be
20 disciplined. They should be fired or let go. Like,
21 trained to do the job, I can do my job. It doesn't matter
22 who ~~(inaudible)~~ [you are. It doesn't matter if you have
23 money or not, race, nothing; do that job.

24 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** M'hm.

25 **[MS. CARLA MOSS]:** Same for everybody.

1 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Now, were you
2 trained at JIBC?

3 **[MS. CARLA MOSS]:** Yes.

4 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Okay, so I've done
5 a lot of work at JIBC.

6 **[MS. CARLA MOSS]:** Yeah.

7 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** And I've heard
8 recently that in the police training they actually bring in
9 elders as one of the ---

10 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** Yes.

11 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Okay, so tell us
12 about that. That's wonderful.

13 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** Yeah.

14 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** And isn't it part
15 of your graduation that ---

16 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** We -- myself and
17 another elder, we go there to the Justice Institute and we
18 talk to the new recruits at the RCMP that are going to
19 graduate and the sheriffs that are going to graduate. And
20 we talk to them about how residential school has affected
21 us and how, you know, the -- like, we want, you know, the
22 RCMP not only to treat Aboriginal people with respect but
23 all cultures because they need to look at how they are
24 treating other people.

25 And they -- you know, like I said, we all

1 bleed the same colour of blood, you know? We're all
2 related in one way or the other and we should be treated
3 with respect.

4 And I honestly -- all the people downtown
5 east side, I said, "They weren't born to be down there.
6 They're there because of residential school, because of the
7 trauma, the sexual, physical, emotional, and psychological
8 abuse that they suffered."

9 And I said that, "You have to be gentle with
10 them, respectful, caring, and ~~not (inaudible)~~ [loving] to
11 them. They're human beings like you and I."

12 And then I walked downtown and I said, "When
13 I see somebody living on the street, I'll go and ask them,
14 'Are you okay? Do you need some help? I'll call someone
15 to come and help you.'"

16 And I said, "It just takes a few seconds to
17 give some of your time." You know, you've got an RCMP is
18 walking downtown, you just pass them by and I've seen it.
19 They pass them by just as if they're animals and they're
20 not worth much.

21 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Okay.

22 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** And you have to start
23 seeing that they are important and you have to start
24 treating them just like human beings. When we tell our
25 stories to the RCMP and the sheriffs ---

1 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Can I just -- like,
2 the RCMP don't go to the JIBC, so it's -- or it's all the
3 municipal forces? So it would be Vancouver Police
4 Department; it would be ---

5 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** They're training to be
6 RCMP.

7 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** They are?

8 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** They are.

9 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Are you sure?

10 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** Yes.

11 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Okay.

12 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** Yeah.

13 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Because they ---

14 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** Because they come from
15 -- they usually from -- there are already in, you know,
16 like, North Vancouver, Surrey, and Langley.

17 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Okay, so ---

18 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** Yeah.

19 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** --- it's competency
20 training for police?

21 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** Yeah.

22 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** So it's not the
23 first training (inaudible)?

24 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** It's not training.
25 Yeah, it's ---

1 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** It's not really ---

2 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** Yeah. So when they
3 talk with us they ask -- they said, "You know, we've taken
4 videos and saw videos. We've read stories about
5 residential school. But to listen and to hear your story
6 about what you suffered through is more heart-wrenching
7 than to read about it or watch it on video."

8 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** M'hm.

9 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** And I said, "Well, you
10 know, that is the true story, you know? Us Aboriginal
11 people, we really suffered in residential school and you
12 know, we -- the healing that we had to go through in trying
13 to forgive those that have hurt us, why they've done that,
14 we have no understanding. But you know, we had to forgive
15 them and say, you know, get on with our lives and heal
16 ourselves."

17 And I had to do a lot of healing. I was a
18 chronic alcoholic for a few years and I had suddenly
19 sobered up at 35 so I've been sober now for 36 years.

20 And I remember the success part of my life
21 and tell them, you know, even though I was dragged down and
22 I was dragged through the mud and you know, they didn't
23 look at me as being, you know, growing up to be a smart
24 human being because they always called me dumb and stupid,
25 ignorant.

1 And I said, "I graduated from UBC with my
2 Bachelor of Social Work at 65 years old." I said, "I had
3 to prove to myself and I was able to do that."

4 And the RCMP and the sheriffs, some of them
5 break down and they start crying and you know, they have
6 stories themselves, you know, because some of them are from
7 different nationalities and they went through a lot of
8 trauma.

9 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** M'hm.

10 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** And we have to make
11 them aware that there's help out there and you can get
12 support. And you know, you RCMP and sheriffs, you have to
13 start working with the people and start, you know accepting
14 them, you know, as human beings like you and I, you know,
15 and be sensitive to their needs. Because I hear you about
16 the medics, you know, and it happens now in town in the
17 hospital. The hospital's built on our land.

18 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** M'hm.

19 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** But they still treat
20 our people with disrespect, you know? And they're just --
21 and when they're alcoholic and they don't take care of them
22 like other people. You know, like I know one person was
23 walking in the door and see someone in Emergency who wanted
24 some help. And they -- then they said that there was
25 another alcoholic they walked out the Emergency door and he

1 died. So yeah, we have a lot of work to do around, you
2 know working with the medical system, the education system,
3 the RCMP, you know, and we all ---

4 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** And there's many
5 other police forces besides the RCMP in British Columbia.

6 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** Yeah. M'hm.

7 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** So like, you
8 probably deal mostly with the RCMP but around Victoria
9 there are like, Esquimalt.

10 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** And there's
11 (inaudible).

12 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** There's the
13 Victoria City Police. So it's not just RCMP that are ---

14 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** No.

15 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** --- that make them
16 need to -- some help in sorting out how to do their work in
17 a culturally competent way.

18 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** We need to (inaudible)
19 I think.

20 **[MS. CARLA MOSS]:** Yeah. We're trained that
21 there's several things that mimic drunkenness or
22 intoxication. It could be stroke or diabetic ketosis and
23 high blood sugar. So you never assume that that person is
24 just drunk. You don't know if they fell on their head.

25 **ELDER GERTIE PIERRE:** M'hm.

1 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: So we can't make
2 assumptions. So their vitals -- if something shows us
3 there's something unstable, you've really got to make sure
4 they get help.

5 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: (Inaudible) see in
6 enforcement that you're satisfied with? And you were
7 nervous to talk about this because you think that, you
8 know, there would be a whistle blower, right?

9 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: Yeah.

10 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: So that's -- can
11 you address that culture? I mean, like, because are people
12 always afraid of speaking out about that?

13 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: Well, you know there's
14 this joke that Russell Peters says. I don't know if you
15 ever heard it?

16 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: No.

17 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: I tried it out once
18 actually on somebody. It says, "If you want to piss off a
19 White man, call him a racist." So I experimented with it.
20 It's quite funny because it worked. He turned beet red and
21 starting yelling.

22 But you know, I think there's a fear of
23 that. I think when they're so afraid of being called
24 racist rather than say, "No, we need to look at this
25 behaviour, deal with it." In a sense, it's not about being

1 racist or not racist in the sense that I talked about that
2 one medic. It was just do your job. You know, whether
3 you're racist or not, just do your job. Don't assume that
4 that person is drunk. And if they are showing violence,
5 like, they're unstable, do something about it, not just
6 walk away.

7 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: So ---

8 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: Yeah.

9 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: And so some
10 recommendations around the whistle-blowing thing, I think,
11 to make -- to -- because it's not like they have to -- when
12 you look to policies and ways of opening the convo that
13 might need some tweaking but the bottom line, it's got to
14 do with people not feeling afraid to actually report
15 things.

16 [MS. CECELIA ARNET]: M'hm.

17 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Like, having a
18 system where somehow this is monitored more closely, like,
19 a monitoring.

20 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: Maybe also amplify the
21 complaint process, a complaint process that's more
22 effective. So if you witness they can feel comfortable
23 calling them and saying, "This is what I saw and I'm --"
24 you know, something won't happen. And then they know that
25 they won't be treated badly in the future.

1 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yeah, that's what
2 they're afraid of.

3 **[MS. CECELIA ARNET]:** M'hm.

4 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yeah, as well. One
5 of my daughters was in hospital when she was three and I
6 remember that I was constantly, "Do this, do that," and all
7 that. And then I could feel the environment changing
8 around me and I realized I had to -- because I eventually
9 started staying with her 24/7 because I knew that I
10 couldn't be because I had created this (inaudible). Oh-oh,
11 you're not going to get (inaudible).

12 But it's good to laugh about it but
13 (inaudible). But those are also some really good points.
14 What else do you have?

15 **[MS. CARLA MOSS]:** Okay, so the language.
16 We want to change -- this making sure, getting the news out
17 about this.

18 So like, one thing that happened, I was
19 doing a memorial in (inaudible) centre where ~~the~~
20 ~~(inaudible)~~ [we are listing the names and] have a short
21 story of everyone who's missing and getting the ~~staff's~~
22 ~~help there a bit~~ [stats out there that---]

23 And the statistics that are -- there's a
24 study (inaudible) for the recommendation that came from the
25 RCMP. ~~(Inaudible)~~ [Do you guys] ~~you~~ know the study that

1 I've been talking about. There was ---

2 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Well, there's the
3 RCMP one and there's -- that they have done. And they've
4 got statistics on things.

5 [ELDER GERTIE PIERRE]: Not (inaudible).

6 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: So they've got a
7 database. But there's one in 2014 and one in -- okay, so
8 you were starting to talk. Sorry.

9 [ELDER GERTIE PIERRE]: So I would just say
10 we're not talking about the (inaudible) report and the
11 recommendations.

12 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: This was a really simple
13 set of stats that showed like, this many are being
14 ~~(inaudible)~~ [killed by their spouse], this many are total
15 strangers, and it shows -- and getting those stats out
16 because I remember before this became an issue. I was a
17 little bit frustrated too with the idea -- why are we
18 talking about only missing and murdered Native woman? Why
19 not all women?

20 And [I was a little annoyed with] ~~a little~~
21 ~~about~~ that. These guys are amazing because they're just
22 like, you know, "Yeah, I want (inaudible)." They're really
23 clear about that. But me, I was still a little perturbed
24 until Lillian Howard and I were sitting there in Prince
25 George and she was like, "How many can we count?"

1 And we started counting on our fingers, all
2 the people we knew, all the families we knew, and we were
3 like, "Holy cow. This [is] why we're talking about-- we're
4 focusing on Native women."

5 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** M'hm. And the same
6 can be said for why not Native men as well because those --
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8 **[MS. CARLA MOSS]:** Yeah.

9 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** --- figures are
10 very high compared to non-Native men. But there's kind of
11 an intersectionality here. It's -- like, it's again, got
12 to do with vulnerability. You have a combination of the
13 misogyny as well as the racism and it basically, you know,
14 doubles the vulnerability.

15 **[MS. CARLA MOSS]:** The victimization is
16 happening from the other end.

17 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yeah. So it just
18 means that that wouldn't necessarily have came up if it was
19 -- there have been other studies that included men,
20 Indigenous men, and so the vulnerability has been
21 recognized by the residential school TRC and others.

22 But yes, it was just determined that there
23 was a need to focus on the gender piece as well as the
24 racist piece. So it's not that the men are forgotten, it's
25 -- they're integral to women's lives and it's important

1 that that's acknowledged in terms of the -- well, the
2 holistic nature of the impact of racism on all Indigenous
3 people. And also, it creates a whole environment for non-
4 Indigenous people.

5 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: It does. M'hm.

6 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Like, who the heck
7 wants to live in this place?

8 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: Think of what you're
9 missing ~~(inaudible)~~ [out on if you] close the doors and not
10 let any other race in and then we say, "Oh well, there are
11 ~~(inaudible)~~ people but then we're only going to see white
12 people."

13 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm.

14 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: And that's a lot of what
15 the White society does, right?

16 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Yeah.

17 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: All those other people in
18 this room ~~(inaudible)~~. Can you imagine kids living in that
19 world?

20 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: No.

21 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: So it's a really sad
22 world. We wouldn't even have to ask for ~~(inaudible)~~
23 [aspirin].

24 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: You ~~asked for the~~
25 ~~(inaudible)~~ [know that aspirin is an Indian medicine],

1 right? Did you know that? That aspirin's an Indian
2 medicine?

3 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: No, I didn't know
4 that. No, I don't personally take aspirin so -- not that I
5 restrict everything I take but ---

6 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: A lot of people take it
7 for heart attack prevention, right?

8 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Yeah.

9 [ELDER GERTIE PIERRE]: M'hm.

10 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: But yeah, it was
11 introduced to Lewis and Clark to take it back to Europe.

12 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: I'm sure there's
13 much more that can be said about that.

14 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: Oh, yeah.

15 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: So those are good.
16 Anything else?

17 And by the way, it just so happens that
18 today is September 13th, 2017. But the Inquiry is going to
19 go on for some time so if you go home and wake up in the
20 middle of the night and go, "Wow," make sure you write it
21 down or call me. Don't feel that this is your last chance.
22 It's an open door.

23 [MS. CECELIA ARNET]: M'hm.

24 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Yeah.

25 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: Transportation.

1 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Transportation? Is
2 that (inaudible) do you think?

3 **[MS. CARLA MOSS]:** Yeah. Maybe one of you
4 guys can talk about transportation. I've talked too much
5 now.

6 ~~**MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN**~~ **[MS. CARLA MOSS]:** Do
7 you want to talk about transportation?

8 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** M'hm. ~~There's so many~~
9 ~~issues.~~

10 **[MS. CARLA MOSS]:** [There's so many issues.]

11 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** Yeah.

12 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Oh, Moses has
13 talked about that. And he made a recommendation about
14 making sure there was a bus ---

15 **[EDLER GERTIE PIERRE]:** Because of the
16 Highway of Tears.

17 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** --- because of that
18 situation and there is a bus, I understand, but now
19 Greyhound has cancelled their bus.

20 **[ELDER GERTIE PIERRE]:** Yeah.

21 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** M'hm. And in terms
22 of, you know, Lisa and transportation, what could be said
23 about that, right? Most parents looking at that would say,
24 well, the parents did what they could to make sure that she
25 didn't do this. And it just so happened that night she did

1 do it. So she was playing Russian roulette.

2 [MS. CECELIA ARNET]: M'hm.

3 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: And ---

4 MS. CECELIA ARNET: Well, it was --
5 apparently they trusted that guy and she was with friends.
6 She was very safe.

7 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm.

8 MS. CECELIA ARNET: But then they didn't
9 look after their friend.

10 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm.

11 MS. CECELIA ARNET: It's just ~~(inaudible)~~
12 [didn't work].

13 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm.

14 [MS. CAROL FRANK]: Even with me right now,
15 my niece is living with me and she's 30. Yeah, well, she
16 works in Tofino and I think it's 16 kilometres from Tofino.
17 And a lot of times she was hitchhiking to work. That's the
18 only way she could get to work. And she -- sometimes she'd
19 be working late at night, like, late in the evening. If I
20 wasn't home to pick her up she'd be going online looking
21 for a ride home.

22 [MS. CAROL FRANK]: There's a lot of our
23 young people hurt.

24 [MS. CECELIA ARNET]: Even the young men
25 hitch-hiking and I tell them, "Be careful. Be careful. It

1 doesn't matter if you're a man. It doesn't matter
2 (inaudible) [big or whatever, you know?]"

3 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** But somehow at the
4 very least some information needs to be gathered again
5 about transportation in vulnerable areas ---

6 **[ELDER GERTIE PIERRE]:** Yeah.

7 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** --- where young
8 people and others are having to resort to hitchhiking to
9 get there.

10 **[ELDER GERTIE PIERRE]:** Yeah.

11 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** You get a lot. Over in
12 Tofino we get over a million visitors in the summertime.

13 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** M'hm.

14 **[MS. CECELIA ARNET]:** It's dangerous.

15 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** Summer times. So
16 there's a lot of people that we don't know, like. When I'm
17 going to Tofino I pick up a lot of -- if they're couples
18 we'll pick them up or pick up the locals. But you know,
19 there's a lot of people that we don't know travelling that
20 road.

21 ~~MR. MOSES MARTIN~~ **[MS. CECELIA ARNET]:**

22 There's lots of hitchhikers.

23 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Hitchhikers, yeah.

24 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** (Inaudible), yeah.

25 **[MS. CECELIA ARNET]:** Yeah. And vehicles

1 too, eh?

2 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yeah.

3 **[ELDER GERTIE PIERRE]:** There's no bus
4 services?

5 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** There is one in the
6 summertime. It only goes to just past the information
7 centre.

8 **[MS. MARTHA STEWART]:** The info centre.

9 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** And it's -- a lot of our
10 people will catch the -- what's it called?

11 **[MS. MARTHA STEWART]:** The treatment bus out
12 to the -- oh, the shuttle thing?

13 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** Shuttle. They'll catch
14 the shuttle ---

15 **[MS. MARTHA STEWART]:** To the info centre.

16 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** --- to the info centre
17 which is about four kilometres out of Tofino and then
18 they'll hike from there. So what I was speaking to
19 somebody was well, they should go to council and then
20 council pay, like, put in money and have a bus go right out
21 to Long Beach and which would help.

22 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yeah. That's
23 exactly the type of thing that needs to be looked at.

24 **[MS. CECELIA ARNET]:** Yeah.

25 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Because we can't

1 stop people from using the highway -- I mean the cars ---

2 [MS. CECELIA ARNET]: Yeah.

3 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: --- to save more
4 lives.

5 [ELDER GERTIE PIERRE]: (Inaudible) yeah.
6 M'hm.

7 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: There are a number
8 of things -- it's kind of like if -- I don't know, is there
9 -- there must be -- is there a game that -- an Indigenous
10 game that's like the game of chess where you have to
11 advance all these things for something to happen? You
12 can't just deal with one. So that's kind of like life.
13 But there's probably an Indigenous game that people could
14 relate to more than chess. I don't know. It's not just
15 one thing. Lots of things need to be thought of.

16 [MS. CAROL FRANK]: Another thing I found
17 with my sister, over the years, was -- her and her husband,
18 they were together like, 38 years and over the years she
19 would like, leave, leave him. And it was hard sometimes
20 for her to find a place because a lot of times the women's
21 shelter was full.

22 So that's another thing we're lacking, is
23 places for vulnerable women to go to like, to turn to, eh?
24 Sometimes my sister would get into the shelter. Other
25 times she couldn't so she'd find -- like, if she was living

1 in Nanaimo and all of us are living in Tofino so she'd find
2 other ways, like, family or -- so that's ---

3 [MS. CECELIA ARNET]: I've got (inaudible)
4 at home.

5 [MS. CAROL FRANK]: And what's lacking is
6 more places where women ---

7 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Yeah.

8 [ELDER GERTIE PIERRE]: Safe houses.

9 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Are you talking
10 about Marlene Joanne?

11 [MS. CAROL FRANK]: Yeah.

12 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Or another sister?

13 [MS. CAROL FRANK]: Yeah.

14 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Yeah, because you
15 know, Carol, I heard of a woman who actually said that she
16 connected with transition homes while she was trying to get
17 from one location in B.C. to another location.

18 MS. CAROL FRANK: M'hm.

19 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: And they set it up
20 in a way that she basically had a place to stay everywhere
21 she went. So if she felt that -- and she was kind of being
22 trapped by her ---

23 MS. CAROL FRANK: Yeah. M'hm.

24 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: --- partner. And
25 so she felt that she was going to be in danger.

1 MS. CAROL FRANK: M'hm.

2 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: And so she had a
3 place to go every time. So you know, that's quite
4 impressive, I think, if that type of security can be
5 offered.

6 MS. CAROL FRANK: M'hm.

7 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: So that's a good
8 point.

9 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: I wonder if there's --
10 maybe you can address this too, if it's like having a
11 discussion. I just think (inaudible) and like, your dad
12 and I used to have this argument when our boys were small
13 that you be on the ferry, for example, and I'd want to --
14 I'd always make sure I went to the bathroom with my boys
15 while they were short.

16 My rule was when they can knock somebody
17 out, they can go to the bathroom alone. And he was like,
18 "You're crippling them in the sense that you're taking away
19 their confidence that they can do things on their own."

20 So you know, we both were wanting the best
21 for our boys and had different points of view. And I'm
22 wondering if there's different things that keep us safe in
23 different communities and sharing that back and forth.

24 Like, you know, in the university campuses
25 there's a huge rape problem also. And there are certain

1 parties that you just know you don't go to unless -- or
2 you're going to get hurt.

3 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Yeah.

4 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: You don't go to the
5 football players' parties, right?

6 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm.

7 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: And if you're not sure --
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9 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: I've never been
10 invited, actually, myself.

11 [MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN]: You've been
12 invited to football players' parties?

13 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: ~~I've seen the invitations~~
14 ~~(inaudible)~~ [I would've ignored the invitation]. But you
15 really knew going in. It's you know, like don't go to --
16 because we already knew what they did to women at these
17 parties.

18 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: M'hm.

19 [MS. CARLA MOSS]: And it wasn't ~~(inaudible)~~
20 [a fun thing]. How we'd end those conversations where
21 another girl who didn't know would say, "Oh, this will be
22 fun."

23 And like, you know, "Yay, great." Or if
24 they went on a date not knowing what they were walking into
25 at all.

1 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** There's some -- my
2 sister and (inaudible) sister-in-law has a theatre company.
3 And she's put on, created a couple of plays that -- and I
4 have a daughter who's RCMP ~~in~~ [and does] First Nations
5 ~~police~~ [policing].

6 So she's bringing these plays to the
7 communities -- my daughter is bringing my sister-in-law's
8 plays. And one is called "Dissolved". I don't know if
9 anyone's seen that but it's a play where they talk solely
10 about people putting roofies or some sort of drug in girls'
11 -- women's drinks at some parties. And it's a whole play
12 about that.

13 And so it's an education piece but they've
14 put it together in a way that's it's actually entertaining
15 and funny in places. And so that it's something that they
16 can actually sit down and swallow, you know, because it's
17 funny and it's good and ---

18 **[ELDER GERTIE PIERRE]:** M'hm.

19 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** --- but the woman
20 who wrote it, that's exactly what happened to her. She
21 went to a party, somebody put something in her drink, she
22 woke up in her bed with this absolute stranger the next
23 morning that in her mind, she'd never seen before in her
24 life.

25 And so she was studying here at UBC and she

1 asked whether or not she could write her play about that
2 experience for one of her projects. And so she did. And
3 if you ever see it advertised it's a good play to watch.

4 But also, when I saw it I thought it was so
5 fantastic that I bought -- I phoned up many of the police
6 that I know in sex units and sex crime units and I bought
7 them all tickets. Like, I bought them tickets to go. And
8 so there were a number that went.

9 And I think that's why my daughter got
10 encouraged to go. Because at the end they actually have a
11 question and answer period too and so it's helpful to have
12 police there, to have lawyer types there who know the law,
13 sexual assaults so they understand consent.

14 And then the second one they've done which
15 is now being toured, currently being toured and it will
16 probably be in Nanaimo or Port Alberni shortly -- in fact,
17 I have the schedule on here because my daughter wants me to
18 know about it.

19 It's on trafficking and it's called "Love
20 On". And it's a story of a young woman who goes missing
21 and her mom is trying to find her. And then I won't spoil
22 the end but basically she discovers that what has happened
23 is that this -- her daughter has been involved with a pimp
24 that's pretty much also her lover. And so they go through,
25 like, all the nuances and merits and complexities of that.

1 And so that's being toured.

2 And so they're educational pieces; you know,
3 they're social educational pieces using arts so that it's
4 not -- you're almost like, listening to boring people like
5 me sort of describe the intricacies of how serious this is.
6 They do it through life's drama and people who sound like
7 real people who have experienced this.

8 And so those are kind of examples of how
9 this awareness can develop because you're in the room at
10 the end having watched this and you discuss it and ask
11 questions, right? It's like, well, what about the fact
12 that she loves the guy? Like, what do you do about that
13 then? How do you get her away from him? Okay, well -- and
14 then you discuss it.

15 So those are -- there's a lot of people who
16 are kind of contribute to the critical mass that needs to
17 happen to shift the orbit of our relationships on our -- to
18 loving and compassionate ones.

19 And it does come through education in part,
20 right? That's because sometimes it's ignorance that -- and
21 sometimes it's fear of those guys who are racist. There
22 just might be a fear underneath all that. And so it's
23 pretty basic human behaviour stuff that sometimes a
24 conversation is enough and sometimes life in jail is
25 enough.

1 [MRS. CECLIA ARNET]: M'hm.

2 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay, what about
3 the youth, Siouxsan, young people? How old are you, the
4 way?

5 MS. SIOUXSAN MARTIN: Fourteen (14).

6 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Fourteen (14). And
7 the fact that I'm talking to you is -- is that -- if you
8 would prefer that I just be quiet right now then I'll do
9 that. But may I talk to you?

10 MS. SIOUXSAN MARTIN: Yeah.

11 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay. So you're
12 14.

13 MS. SIOUXSAN MARTIN: M'hm.

14 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Which means that
15 you are kind of like a gem. Like, you are like having sun
16 in the room. Like, the sun actually being here. Like, it
17 is absolutely precious that you're here. It's amazing that
18 you're here.

19 [MS. CECILIA ARNET]: M'hm.

20 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: And I know I
21 personally can learn so much from you if I could figure out
22 a way that you would want to talk to me.

23 And what I need to know is -- what I would
24 like you to think about and see if you can speak about it
25 is what do we do about making sure the youth are safe?

1 What are you seeing with your friends? What are you seeing
2 about how you and other girls your age are treated that you
3 think should be different?

4 And you know what? You're -- this is not
5 going to go on TV tonight. This is going to go to
6 Commissioners for writing something that is going to affect
7 you as you grow up and your children and your
8 grandchildren.

9 You know, one day you're going to be as old
10 as this guy and you're going to be looking at your
11 grandchildren and you're going to be thinking about wow, I
12 remember going to that meeting with all my aunties and
13 everybody. They were talking about making things better
14 and I played a role in that because I was there. I had the
15 courage to be there and I listened.

16 So you're -- this is what it feels like to
17 participate in life in a way that makes things a good way
18 for you, for your children, for your grandchildren, for the
19 people in your life.

20 So I don't need to be shy about it and if
21 you would like us all to turn the other way or put our
22 hands on our ears or whatever you want or if you want to
23 draw pictures or write something down you can use whatever
24 way you want to tell because it's -- the thing is that we
25 love you and we want to hear your wisdom because you have a

1 wisdom we don't have any more because we've gone past the
2 14 years and our eyes look at different things now. So
3 what do you think?

4 ~~MS. SIOUXSAN MARTIN~~ [MS. MARTHA STEWART]:

5 ~~(Inaudible)~~ [It's a safe] place where you can do whatever
6 you need to.

7 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Can you tell us an
8 example where you felt that somebody did something really
9 good to make sure that you or one of your girlfriends was
10 safe, that really helped you guys? Have you ever had to
11 step in somewhere and help make somebody safe?

12 MS. MARTHA STEWART: My husband and I have
13 always done our best to keep our children sheltered from a
14 lot of things. We drink and had like, two incidents of
15 assault. And she's never ever witnessed any of it. When
16 we are arguing she's not usually home.

17 I cannot easily understand how hard it is
18 for her to understand where we're coming from in terms of
19 what that means, what's happening to (inaudible) to protect
20 women because she's never seen it. She's never witnessed
21 the things that we have gone through in our life because
22 she's always had her dad Marcel and her brothers and her
23 sister, they're always there to protect her. She's the
24 youngest one of us, out of all of us or out of her siblings
25 and there's seven. And we have nine grandchildren.

1 And you know, I'm proud to say that my
2 daughter hasn't witnessed a lot of the things that, you
3 know, I've seen and her -- as a young girl, as a mother,
4 and as a wife. My husband and I have always tried really
5 hard to make sure that she never had to witness any of it,
6 any of our kids. None of our kids have ever -- you know,
7 we've -- yeah, we've had our shouting matches but that's
8 it.

9 Because I've -- you know, I listened to my
10 grandmother when she was still here. She always said, "The
11 only place you can ever learn respect is from home. You
12 can't learn it anywhere else."

13 Well, you're talking about our safety,
14 people only -- you know, the criminal justice trying to
15 figure out ways to get government officials, everybody you
16 know, that plays a part in the government -- they're never
17 going to know. Not when they didn't learn their respect
18 from home.

19 Because in our home we don't -- we've never
20 practised or even witnessed racism at home. Not in our
21 home.

22 One of my first cousins, a few months ago --
23 and this is -- it's not a family secret but nobody is
24 talking about it. She was in Nanaimo that the same thing
25 was based on a message phoned everybody, let everybody know

1 what she was doing. She went out to the bar and she met
2 her friends down there. And she started feeling like she
3 was starting to get a little bit too high so she was trying
4 to do the responsible thing and she called a cab.

5 And the cabbie noticed that she was, I
6 guess, getting -- feeling pretty intoxicated and she gave
7 him the address where -- to home and she noticed that he
8 was taking a different route so she started looking around.

9 He brought her to another house just on the
10 outskirts of Nanaimo. Two men, East Indian, she said in
11 the back of the cab. They both had (inaudible) and they
12 both got in in the back seat and she fought. She fought
13 like hell. She kept kicking, she kept punching, she was
14 pulling their hair. She was too much for them.

15 Those two guys jumped out of the cab and the
16 cabbie drove away and she jumped out of the cab when it was
17 speeding away. She had no idea where she was. She was
18 just on a dark street in Nanaimo.

19 And our family was so scared. Everybody was
20 so scared and my husband came and checked on me because I
21 couldn't say anything. I was telling him, I said it was
22 like reliving Lisa all over.

23 I was never close to Lisa. I never really
24 knew her on a personal level. But when she went missing we
25 came over. We stayed at family's place for five days.

1 Richard kept asking me, "Marlene, can we come see you?"

2 "No, baby brother. It's okay. Go home."

3 But he couldn't.

4 One memory that always stuck with me about
5 Lisa after she went missing -- I don't remember how much
6 longer it was but a bunch of the guys decided that they
7 wanted to go and look in Nanaimo. There was lots of us
8 from home. We all went at the junction, set up a meeting
9 place for Nanaimo. We met at McDonald's in Nanaimo. There
10 was the three of us. (Inaudible) and Carol and I were
11 getting ready to help them.

12 I don't know; I guess just the way things
13 were ~~(inaudible)~~ [moving]. We just assumed that we were
14 going to go. And Moses and them picked up ~~(inaudible)~~ [on
15 it]. We had a small meeting at McDonald's and Moses told
16 us that the ladies were going to stay behind. And it was
17 hard to ~~(inaudible)~~ [hear that].

18 And he explained to us the importance of
19 women and how we're the backbones of the family. What I
20 would like to see in our own community, I know growing up
21 ~~(inaudible)~~ [we had a lot of] youth conferences, youth and
22 parliament groups, respect starts at home.

23 I don't think I would have made a lot of the
24 choices I made if I didn't have the support or the
25 teachings of these youth programs that we used to go to

1 because my parents were alcoholics. Because after my
2 grandmother died there was nobody else to teach us -- to
3 teach the girls anything.

4 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Thank you, Martha.

5 What do girls need to know? We've got these
6 people in the room who are in their seventies and the
7 youngest is 14. So if you added all that up that's a lot
8 of experience.

9 What do girls need to know? Who should
10 teach them? I mean, it sounds simple. We can't say
11 parents because the parents aren't always available one way
12 or another. Is there a way to teach them that's guaranteed
13 that it won't put them in a taxi that goes astray?

14 So much love in this room in the answers
15 (inaudible) answers. So even if I didn't find the right
16 questions sometimes.

17 **[MS. CARLA MOSS]:** Good thing she knew how
18 to fight. Okay. (Inaudible) fight?

19 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** What happened to
20 that woman who -- the girl who got in the cab with those
21 guys, and then she kicked and they hopped out and then she
22 was in a dark part of Nanaimo and what happened?

23 **[MS. MARTHA STEWART]:** One of our other
24 cousins is a taxi driver and she phoned her and she was
25 working, driving late that night. And usually there's --

1 you know, when my cousin is driving taxi she'll always let
2 us know. She always lets us know, especially if she knows
3 we're out drinking. She'll pick us up. We don't pay the
4 tab. She just -- it's a comfort for her to know that we're
5 getting home safely.

6 But she called my cousin and my cousin went
7 to go and pick her up. And my cousin didn't want to go to
8 the RCMP. She didn't want anything done. And as a family
9 we know we had to respect her choice.

10 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** M'hm.

11 **[MS. MARTHA STEWART]:** Because she said she
12 knew -- she figured out who it was and the -- they called
13 the cab station and they reported the driver and everything
14 and that driver was fired. But as far as, you know, the
15 RCMP or anything, you know, she didn't want anything done.

16 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** So I want to try is
17 from my Crown prosecutor days. There's such a thing as
18 third-party reporting ---

19 **[MS. MARTHA STEWART]:** M'hm.

20 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** --- where you --
21 have you heard of that before? Okay, so it's where you to
22 a third party and make your report and then an anonymous
23 report is made to the police. So the police, they can act
24 on things but they do not know who the complainant is.

25 So it would be like going to a lawyer for

1 example, and that's probably the best person to go to, and
2 saying, "I want to make a third-party complaint."

3 [MS. MARTHA STEWART]: M'hm.

4 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: And so a lawyer has
5 such a thing as a privilege, client privilege so that as
6 long as a person -- like, you know, I'll give you an
7 example.

8 So if you say that -- was that your husband,
9 the relative, or the one who was in the cab or was it a
10 friend of a friend or ---

11 [MS. MARTHA STEWART]: It was a relative.

12 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay, so ---

13 [MS. MARTHA STEWART]: Yeah.

14 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: So let's call her
15 Debbie just so for a hypothetical. So Debbie has a
16 scenario where she gets in a cab and it appears that she's
17 actually being abducted. And it appears that this is some
18 sort of organized thing where this cabbie is providing
19 girls or women to men.

20 [MS. MARTHA STEWART]: M'hm.

21 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: And by the way,
22 I've heard that that happens. You know, that's a
23 phenomenon beyond what you have just described happening.

24 [MS. MARTHA STEWART]: M'hm.

25 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: So the only way to

1 end that is like what -- is it Carla, your name?

2 **MS. CARLA MOSS:** M'hm.

3 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** It's what Carla
4 says. It's enforcement. You know, like some people do not
5 stop doing wrong things without enforcement.

6 **[MS. MARTHA STEWART]:** M'hm.

7 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** So yes, because of
8 our system, the way -- we all know you don't have to go
9 look through many books or newspapers or TV programs to
10 figure out what happens when Debbie actually goes to the
11 police and complains.

12 So one procedure, Debbie would then go --
13 let's assume that Gertrude is a lawyer. So Debbie goes to
14 Gertrude and Debbie would say, "Gertrude, a horrible thing
15 happened to me in a cab and I'm too afraid to report it to
16 the police and I can tell you the reasons why I am afraid.
17 But I would like still something to be done about it
18 because it just doesn't disappear."

19 And so the lawyer would say, "Okay, well,
20 I'll take that on and there's privilege so I won't be
21 telling anybody anything other than what you say."

22 And then I would maybe make a statement
23 about what happened. I would identify the people and then
24 the lawyer, Gertrude would take my statement to the police
25 and say, "I'm handing this over to you and I'm not telling

1 you the identity of the person because of solicitor and
2 client privilege. But what I'm asking you to do is to keep
3 this on your records. Keep this on your records or do what
4 you need to do but my client is not going to participate in
5 this. They're not going to give you a statement or
6 anything and I'm not going to tell you who that person is.
7 I'm not going to tell you who my client is. You don't
8 know. So -- and don't do anything so that my client is
9 identified. That's another part of this."

10 So what happens is that in this case it's --
11 the cabbie was fired. Okay, but he might go to another cab
12 company or have his own cab company or whatever.

13 So down the road, let's say that the cabbie
14 does something similar to Jill. And so Jill actually goes
15 to the police and says, "I want to complain about a cabbie
16 who drove me where I didn't want to go and he appeared to
17 be planning to set me up with guys that I didn't want to be
18 with."

19 And so they would check the record and see
20 there was another situation where the same person had done
21 that.

22 And it's then that the lawyer Gertrude would
23 be approached by the police and Gertrude would talk to me
24 and say, "Look, this is what's happening. He did it
25 again."

1 Now, you have an option now. You could go
2 to the police and what that would do is that there would be
3 two of you. And that would support the other girl who
4 she's made the complaint but she -- yes, it's going to be
5 tough and you're not going to know who she is or you're not
6 -- you mustn't talk to her before any of this happens,
7 before it goes to court. But this just gives us a better
8 opportunity for this truth to find its way into the system.

9 **[MS. MARTHA STEWART]:** M'hm.

10 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** And so that's --
11 it's called third-party reporting and there's a policy that
12 allows that to happen. But the people do have to tread
13 carefully with this. You have to make sure that they go to
14 a lawyer so there's solicitor and client privilege. They
15 have to make sure that they make it very, very clear that
16 this identity is not to be released except for under these
17 conditions.

18 **[MS. MARTHA STEWART]:** M'hm.

19 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** So that it doesn't
20 end up being a scenario, like, you know, where things go
21 sideways and before you know it someone's being harassed or
22 can't get a cab in town any more or whatever. Because we
23 all know that human beings can come up with this behaviour
24 to try and maintain their power, right?

25 **[MS. CECELIA ARNET]:** Excuse me. She has to

1 go because her truck is in the service (inaudible).

2 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Oh.

3 [MS. CECELIA ARNET]: She's to go one more
4 (inaudible).

5 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay.

6 [MS. CAROL FRANK]: Because of this stuff
7 now. It's (inaudible).

8 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: So how -- are you
9 going to drive her? Are you driving her?

10 [MS. CECELIA ARNET]: No, well not me, no.

11 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay, so are you
12 coming back or would you like some closure here?

13 [MS. CAROL FRANK]: Oh, yeah. Whatever
14 works. Like, yeah.

15 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Is there anything
16 that anyone would like to say before Carol leaves?

17 MR. MOSES MARTIN: (Inaudible) will mention
18 myself, eh?

19 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay.

20 MR. MOSES MARTIN: Sometimes us First
21 Nations people we're our own worst enemies, right? And I
22 know that racism is alive and well in that community so
23 that's why I'm saying that we need to learn and understand
24 what we're talking about (inaudible) [the first law of the
25 First Nations] ~~this nation is~~ (inaudible), not just talk

1 about it but live it. I don't think we're living it; we're
2 living what we talk about. And that doesn't get us
3 anywhere.

4 So I -- my dad left us in 1968 and that's
5 what he left me with, was he was teaching about ~~that~~ [the
6 first] law. So after he passed on I wondered for 21 years
7 if that's the first law, what are the other laws?

8 But Dad would visit me once a month. He'd
9 never ever say anything. He'd just smile until I came to
10 my own conclusion about laws, that (inaudible) it's the
11 only law. It doesn't matter what you do, you have to do it
12 with understanding.

13 So that's why we say that our teachings are
14 so simple and it's so hard at the same time. When
15 (inaudible) so that's why language is so important to us
16 and we don't -- we're 1,200 members in our community and
17 about 25 of us speak the language, our language. That's
18 pretty sad.

19 And there's lots for us to teach and lots
20 for us to understand how we came to live like we used to,
21 taking care of each other and taking care of everything
22 around us. Then we can go on and leave a healthy place for
23 my grandchildren to be a place for them (inaudible). Lots
24 of learning ~~today~~ [to do. Don't get mad at grandpa when he
25 talks mean]. ~~(Inaudible) these strong feet.~~

1 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Sounds like a ~~lot~~
2 ~~of feet~~ [law to me]. Thank you, Moses. And you know what?
3 Respectfully, it's time for you to go get your car.

4 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** M'hm. (Inaudible) yeah.

5 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** So is that a wrap
6 everybody? And Siouxsan?

7 **MS. SIOUXSAN MARTIN:** Yeah.

8 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Yeah.

9 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** Just (inaudible).

10 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** So we need to do
11 something about this package. You're going to be -- later
12 we'll find somebody for the copies and but why don't you
13 just ---

14 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** Okay.

15 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** If you want to
16 (inaudible).

17 **[ELDER GERTIE PIERRE]:** I think the office
18 is closed now.

19 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Oh, yeah?

20 **[ELDER GERTIE PIERRE]:** You've got to go out
21 this way now.

22 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** Okay.

23 **[MS. CAROL FRANK]:** Yeah.

24 **MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN:** And I'd like to go
25 someplace like Staples or something and get the

1 (inaudible).

2 But and so -- but please, Siouxsan, you've
3 got to know, we've got to know, I'd love to know what you
4 have to think -- what you have to say. And so even if you
5 just write me a little letter and scan it and email it or
6 put it in snails -- Her Majesty's snail mail or whatever
7 you -- or text me -- you could text me. I'll give you my
8 phone number.

9 [ELDER GERTIE PIERRE]: She wants to
10 (inaudible) Tofino. They investigate where we -- you know,
11 with the police and see if it can (inaudible).

12 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Can you read that?

13 [ELDER GERTIE PIERRE]: (Inaudible) get
14 (inaudible).

15 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: And you can text me
16 if you'd like. You can communicate to me any way you want
17 and I will take it in serious. Okay? Thank you.

18 ELDER GERTIE PIERRE: And then I don't know
19 if -- I know after hearings like this you may have ---

20 MS. WENDY VAN TONGEREN: Okay, that's the
21 end of this session with the Young Frank family, Martin.
22 And the time is a quarter to 5:00.

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24 --- Upon adjourning

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